

FROM  
TANNING  
TO  
PANNING



THE  
ROHDE FAMILY

## FORWARD

My interest in family history began many years ago, and indeed on my first visit to Germany in 1965 I tried without success to locate family members. Although I visited Lubeck, I had been led to believe our family came from Kiel and my research was made there.

Genealogy is an interesting but at times frustrating hobby, and over the years the books and photos have often been packed up and put out of sight until a new snippet of information renews the interest.

In the mid seventies Uncle Jack Rohde (Morwell) visited us and wrote down an address, as the one he thought he used to write to his cousin Marcus in Germany as a young lad.

①  
64 Hundestr.  
Lubeck  
Weiter Lohburg 4

Peter Rohde was the ancestor who came to Australia but to find a record of his death proved most difficult. Supposedly buried in Avoca the old burial register there was checked but no entry found. Several five year searches were conducted by the register of births, deaths and marriages. but again no result. It was in 1986 when records were released on microfiche that cousin Ian Rohde and I found the entry at the Melbourne library. Peter had died between Christmas - New Year 1864, buried in Avoca, it was never entered in the burial register.

In 1986 I hired a researcher in Hamburg and amongst the information sent was the above address. She later confirmed the Weiter Lohburg address as that of Rohde's from a 1927 Lubeck address book. She also obtained certificates of Peter Hinrich's baptism, his marriages, and children's baptisms and translated them. She explained Peter's second wife Sophia Ost was born in St Petersburg, Russia which was the residence of the Tsar until 1917 and that many Germans lived in St Petersburg and much trading was done between the ports. Ships laden with salt from nearby Luneberg would sail from Lubeck and return with skins and fur from Russia, as tanners they would have got their supplies from Russia.

Next the Lubeck Genealogy group were most helpful, providing enclosures 1 & 2 - our Rohde and Eschenburg ancestors. They also confirmed 64 Hundestrasse as the tannery address from an address book of 1905 and had tried to make contact with a Carla Rohde at Weiter Lohburg but without success. They also wrote :-

"In the last hundred years the members of the Eschenburg family became merchants, Doctors, Teachers etc. Several were 'Senatoren' and 'Burgermeister' (members of the government of Lubeck). The Corporation of the Tanners of Lubeck ended about 1865.

All documents of this Corporation from 1400 to 1865 possessed by Rotloscher (tanner) Carl Rohde in der Hundestrasse. A member of the Eschenburg family Dr. Jur. Ludwig Eschenburg studied these documents and published in 1910 a book."

One chapter "Das Amt der Rotloscher in Lubeck" (The Corporation of the Tanners of Lubeck) mentions besides Eschenburg and Rohde the names Levenzen and Grammelstorff - married in to Rohde's family. Also included were photos of Tanneries in the Hundestrasse.

In 1988 I visited Germany again, equipped this time with much more information. In Lubeck I located Tilly's grave with its 'Born in Avoca Australia' inscription, saw the home in Weiter Lohberg and Tannery building in the Hundestrasse, but the greatest thrill of all found Berthold (Tilly's youngest son - Peter Hinrich's Gt Grandson) alive and well living in Hamburg.

Contact between Berthold and his cousins Joy Lomas and Ken Rohde in England (children of Johannes Henry (Jack) Rohde) was made and visits followed.

In 1991 Berthold, wife Dora-Liese and daughter Cristel visited Australia where they met many of the large Australian family.

On return to Germany Cristel kindly sent copies of letters sent to her grandmother Tilly over one

hundred years ago from Australia. So much information was gained from these letters and answers to many questions unanswered for years.

I know the story is not complete, I doubt Genealogy is ever really completed and I hope in the years ahead another family member will carry on from where I left off.

However I feel there is a time to collate the information, sort the photos and put it in some kind of order for others to share. This I have tried to do.

Carol A. Rohde.  
August 1997.



**Berthold at 64 Hundestrasse**

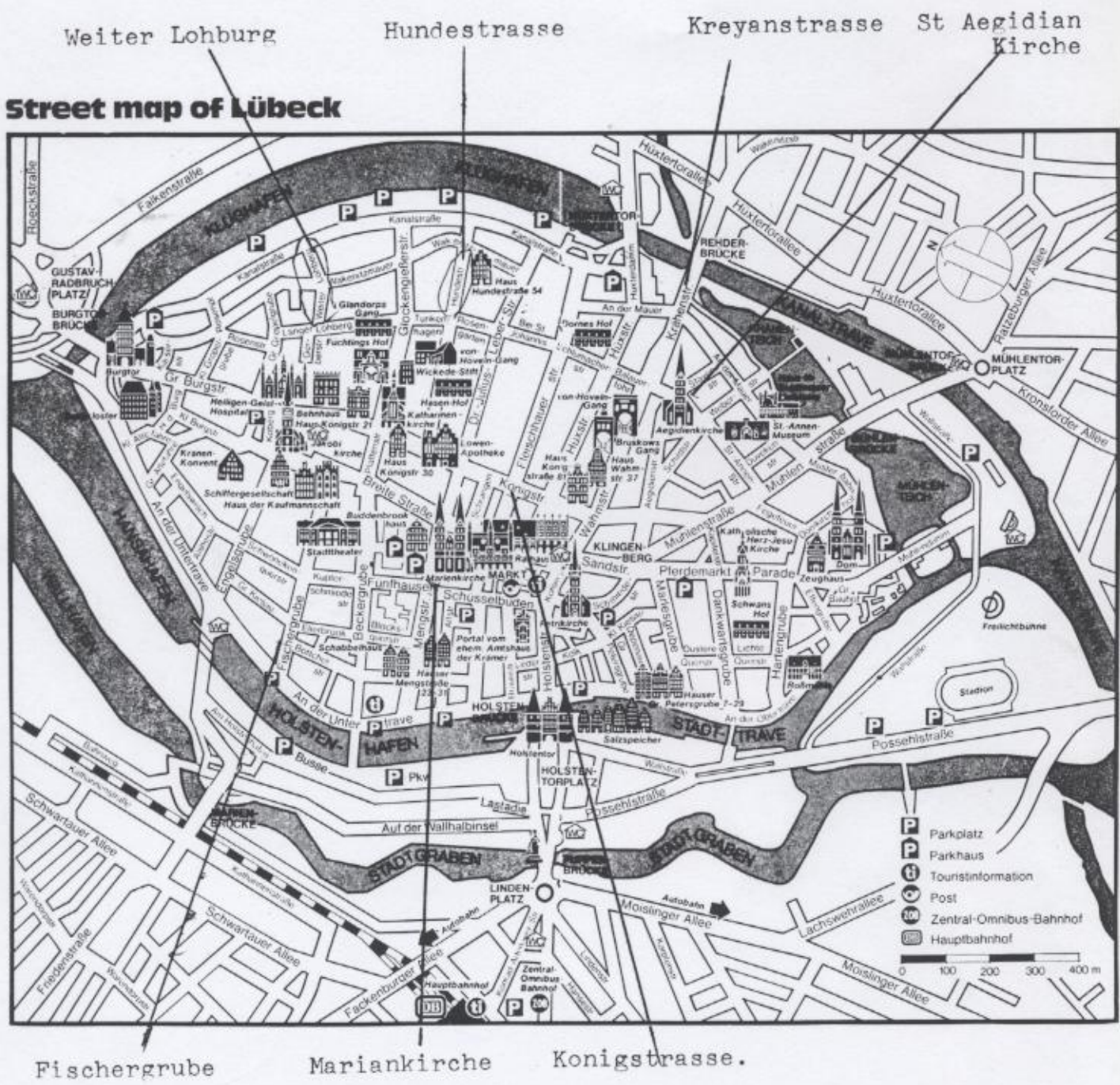


Lubeck's old town is situated on an island surrounded by canals. Holsten Gate and the soaring Gothic spires are emblems of Lubeck. Red brick buildings abound, old salt warehouses overlook the canal and a busy market square commands central position.

#### Street map of Lubeck



The map of Lübeck was smaller than anticipated when printed and so places of importance are listed below.



Addresses in Lubeck:

Year	Event	Address
1811	Birth	Kreyenstrasse
1835	Marriage	Fischergrube Nr. 143 (house of the brewer Rohde)
1836	Birth	Kraehenstrasse
1838	Birth	Kraehenstrasse
1840	Birth	Kraehenstrasse
1845	Death	Kraehenstrasse
1845	Marriage	Kraehenstrasse
1846	Birth	Kraehenstrasse
1852	Birth	Kraehenstrasse
1896	Marriage	Hundestrasse Nr. 64

Translation

Strasse = Street

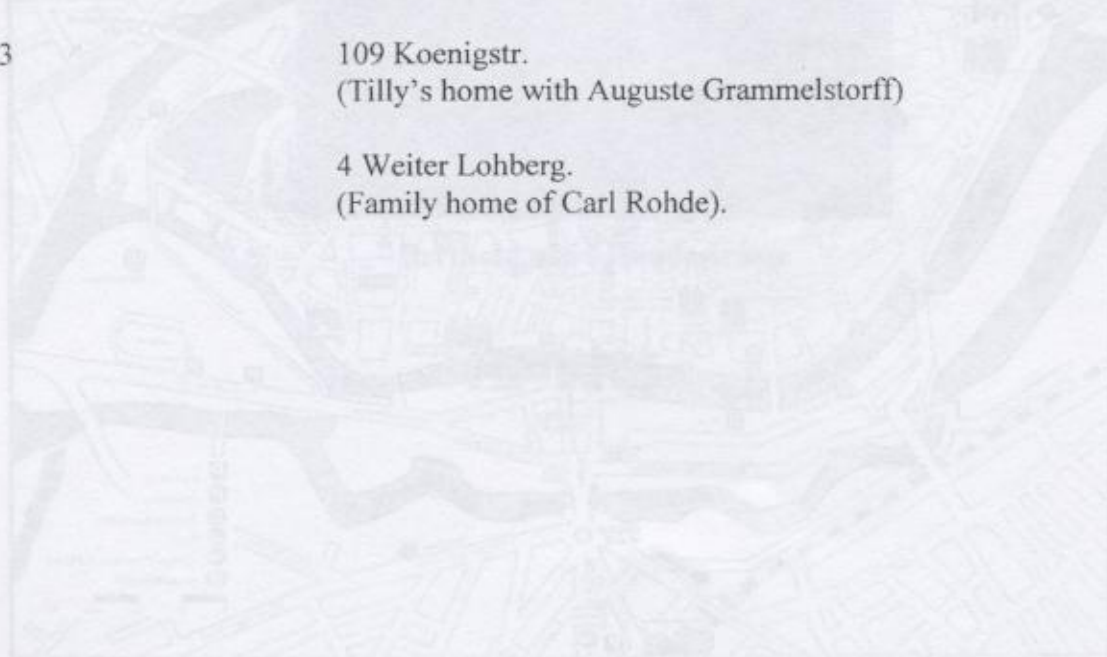
Kreyen-Strasse = Kreyen the same, but old fashioned word for Krahen (Kraehen),  
 Krahen - (Kraehen) which means rook. Large black bird like a crow.

Hunde - Strasse = Hund Pl. Hunde = Dog/Pl. dogs.

As both streets were named after ordinary animals, they must have been in the neighbourhood.

1893 109 Koenigstr.  
 (Tilly's home with Auguste Grammelstorff)

4 Weiter Lohberg.  
 (Family home of Carl Rohde).



ENCLOSURE 1

Generation

- I Claus Hinrich Rohde "Arbeitsmann"  
 + 1791 in May (Lubeck)  
 oo 1735, 7th. November Margaretha Dorothea Braasch.
- II Marcus Hinrich Rohde Rotloscher in der Hundestrabe  
 baptised 1741, June 15th. (St. Jacobi)  
 + 1806 April 1st.  
 oo 1766, December 4th. Anna Elsche Eschenburg  
 baptised 1743, March 17th., + 1815, November 19th.  
 10 children among them.
- III Johann Peter Rohde, Rotloscher in der Krahenstrabe,  
 baptised 1781, January 23rd (Marienkirche)  
 + 1830, in September  
 oo 1805, June 27th. Maria Dorothea Krumbecke  
 ("Hochzeit in ihrem haus")  
 1 daughter, 2 sons.
- IV Peter Hinrich Rohde, born 1811, 17th. October,  
 Rotloscher, Citizen at Lubeck 1834, May 27th.,  
 ool 1835 Dorothea Christina Elsabe Bertelsmann,  
 born 1814, January 23rd., + 1845, December 9th.  
 ool 1845, Sophia Dorothea Ost,  
 born St. Petersburg (now Lenningrad), daughter of  
Gotthard Hermann Heinrich Ost and Johanna born Erichsen.

Generation I  
 for  
 Rohde Family

Claus Hinrich Rohde  
 1735 - 1791  
 Dorothea Braasch  
 1735 - 1806

## ENCLOSURE 2

Your ESCHENBURG - Ancestors at LubeckGeneration

- I. Laurentz (Lorenz) Eskeborg, immigrated into Lubeck in the 15th century,  
 "Rotbrauer" + about 1560,  
 ool ?  
 oolI Arneke Tyevagel, daughter of Hinrich T.,  
 She married II Jurgen Broidel or Breirer.
- II Hans Eschenburg, Rotloscher, 1568 Olderman, born about 1512, + 1573,  
 ool Anneken N.N. born 1522,  
 oolI Windel (Wendula) N.N., died after 1592.
- III Michel Eschenburg, 1576 Rotloscher, 1591 Olderman,  
 1551, + 1600, (Owner of the house Hundestrabe 171/175).  
 oo Anneke Kuhlen  
 1554 + 1621
- IV Clawes or Claus Eschenburg, 1621 Rotloscher, 1596, +1650,  
 oo Margaretha Hartwig or Hartig, daughter of Jacob H.
- V Michel Eschenburg, Rotloscher, 1631, + 1675,  
 ("Konnte schon 1671 wegen Leibesschwachheit nicht vor dem Niedorstadtbuch  
 erscheinen").  
 oo 1658, June 21st, Anna Torkuhl, daughter of Knochenhauer.  
Hinrich Torkuhl and Anna (Christina) born Weber.
- VI Heinrich Eschenburg, Rotloscher since 1694, + 1728, April 16th,  
 oo 1694, August 13th Anna Feldhus, daughter of  
Jacob Feldhusen and Catharina born Ludemann.
- VII Berend Eschenburg senior, baptised 1695, May 5th. died 1751, 1740 Olderman,  
 oo1721, November 10th. Anna Zink, baptised 1693, July 18th.  
 daughter of watchmaker Daniel Zink.
- VIII Berend Eschenburg junior, baptised 1722, October 16th,  
 buried 1781, January 2nd., Rotloscher 1747, propriator of house Hundestrabe 64,  
 oo 1747, March 1st, Catharina Elisabeth Schading,  
 baptised 1723, August 17th, + 1770 in July,  
 daughter of Steinbrucker Joachim Schading and Anna born Wildfanck,
- IX Anna Elsabe Eschenburg, 1748, March 17th, + 1815, September 19th.,  
 oo 1766, December 4th., Rotloscher Marcus Hinrich Rohde.

Carl Maria  
B. 1850

Generation Chart  
for  
Dobke Family

Generation Chart  
for  
Rohde Family

**Claus (Hans) Hinrich**  
M. 1735 - Margaretta  
Dorothea Braasch  
D. 1791 Lubeck

**Marcus Hinrich**  
B. 1741  
M. 1766 - Anna Elsche  
Eschenburg  
D. 1806

**Johann Berthold**  
B. 1775  
M. 1803 - Margaretha  
Dorothee Salomon  
D. 1830

**Johann Peter**  
B. 1781  
M. 1805 - Maria Dorothee  
Krumbeck  
D. 1843

**Georg Christoph Hinrich**  
B. 1815  
M. 1842 - Sophia Charlotte  
Koch  
D. 1895

**Peter Hinrich**  
B. 1811  
M. 1835 - Dorothee Christina  
Elsabe Bartelman  
D. 1864

**Carl Maria**  
B. 1850  
M. 1896 - Mary Matilda  
Rohde  
D. 1937  
**Children:**  
Berthold Johannes Carl  
B. 1909

**Johannes**  
B. 1838  
M. 1871 - Mary Ann Pedro  
D. 1903  
**Children:**  
Christina B. 1871  
George Peter B. 1873  
Mary Matilda B. 1875  
Johannes Henry B. 1878  
August Ashlen B. 1879

# Nachrichten über die Familie Eschenburg in Lübeck

: (1500 bis 1910) :  
nebst Stammtafeln

————— Zusammengestellt von —————  
Dr. jur. Ludwig Bernhard Eschenburg



Lübeck 1910

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George Eschenburg  
in  
Eschenburg, Cuba



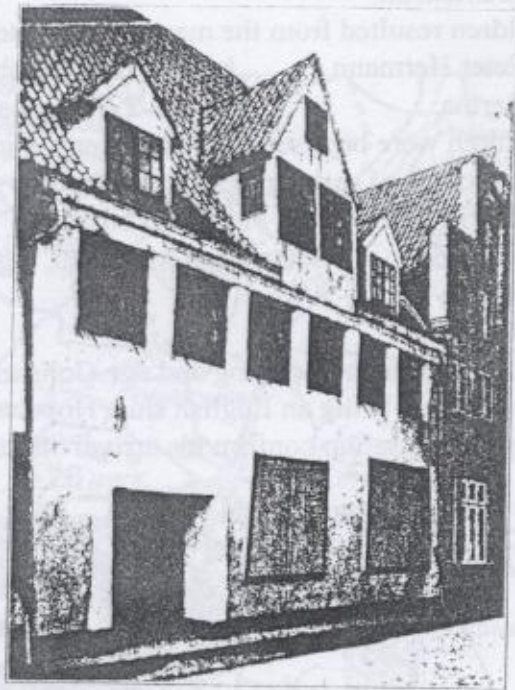
Hundelstraße Nr. 75.  
Hans Eschenburg und Erben 1544 - 1632.



Hundelstraße Nr. 71.  
Claus Eschenburg und Erben 1626 - 1684.



Hundelstraße Nr. 64.  
Berend Eschenburg jun. und Erben bis 1810.



Hundelstraße Nr. 96 „Die Schwarze Krähe“.  
Joch. Berend Eschenburg u. Erb. 1774 - 1815.

## PETER HINRICH ROHDE

The fourth child of Johann Peter Rohde and Maria Dorothea Krumbeck address Kreyenstrasse, Lubeck was born on the 17th October 1811.

Peter Hinrich's father Johann Peter was a tanner (Rothloscher) as was his grandfather Marcus Hinrich and so Peter Hinrich became the third generation of tanners.

On 30th July 1835 Peter Hinrich at the age of 23 years married Dorothea Christina Elsabe Bartelmann aged 21 years.

The marriage took place in the home of his uncle, the Brewer Joachim Daniel Rohde, Fischergrube No 413 Lubeck.

Peter Hinrichs occupation now given as Master Tanner.

The previous year May 27th 1834 he was made Citizen of Lubeck.

Three children were born to Peter Hinrich & Christina :-

Auguste Christina Maria	Born	16th September 1836
Johannes	"	28th January 1838
Mathilde Betty Catharine	"	16th May 1840

All were baptised at St Aegidien (St Giles) Lutheran Church Lubeck.

After almost ten years of marriage Christina died.

Archives of Hansestadt Lubeck state - Christina Dorothea Rohde, born Bartelmann, 31 years old, born here, married to Peter Hinrich Rohde has died on the 22nd January, in the morning at 9.00 in her apartment, which is in the Krahenstrasse. (1845)

Later that year 9th Oct 1845 Peter Hinrich with permission and consent of the Lord Mayor Frister married Sophia Dorothea Ost born in St Petersburg, Russia 15th January 1826.

She was the daughter of Gotthard Hermann Ost (Ott, Osten) of St Petersburg and Johanna Dorothea Erichson.

Two children resulted from the marriage of Peter Hinrich & Sophia:-

Peter Hermann	born	16th October 1846
Bertha	"	23rd January 1852

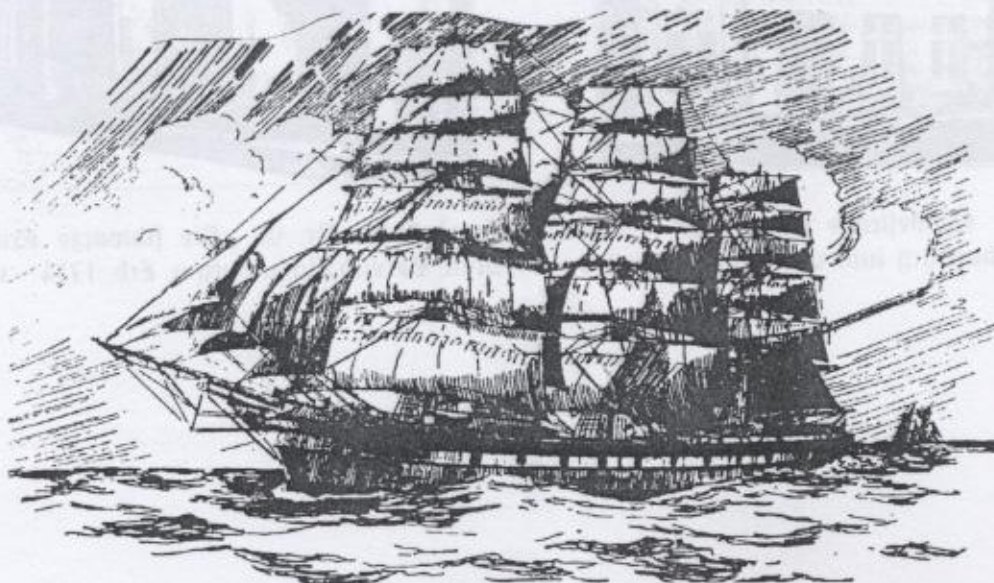
Both children were baptised at St Aegidiens. Nineteen months later Peter arrived in Australia.

Shipping records of early arrivals in Melbourne show the following :-

August 1853 Liverpool- Pt Phillip on board the 'Falcon'.

Peter Hy Rhode,	Occupation Merchant, Age - 41,	From Other Parts (Europe)
Joanna Rhode	Wife	26 "
John Rhode		11 "

Discrepancies of name, spelling and age (Johannes was actually 15) are probably due to language errors, the Falcon being an English ship. However both Maryborough Hospital records and later Johannes naturalisation confirm his arrival on the Falcon in 1853.



The discovery of Gold in Victoria in 1851 saw diggers from every trade and profession in the hills and gullies all over central Victoria.

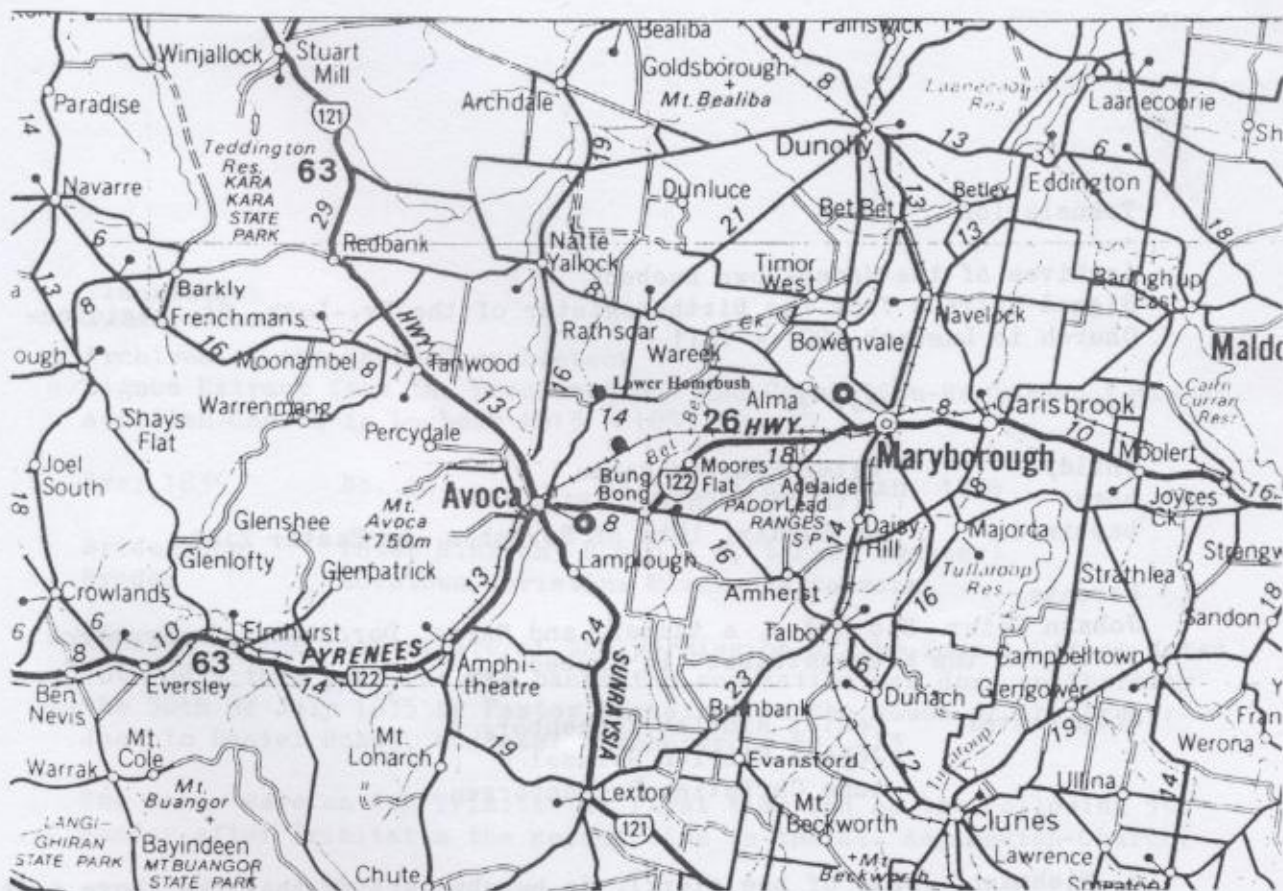
As more discoveries unfolded they came by the thousands by ship to seek their fortune. Probably the lure of gold brought Peter Hinrich to Australia or perhaps it was to explore new markets, as Tanners they would be aware of the colonies expansive sheep and cattle stations. Apparently shortly after arriving they set up a Woolwash on the Deep Creek at Carisbrook. One remaining Woolwash is near Hoopers Bridge on the Deep Creek. This was originally on D.C.Simson's Charlotte Plains run and was the station sheepwash.

As new gold rushes started the population up and followed and so did Peter Rohde. Gold was discovered at Four Mile Flat (later Homebush) as early as 1853. An extract from Victoria Police Gazette 29th June 1855 confirms his presence in the Avoca area from that time.

"The store of Peter Rhodes, Homebush Diggings, Avoca was cut into on the afternoon of the 17th inst., and the following, property stolen:-  
£48 or £49 in £5 and £1 notes, £4 in silver and half a sovereign,  
a lady's gold chain, colonial gold oval links, a colonial gold ring, and an English gold ring, and a colonial gold brooch. "

Vic Government Gazette listed an unclaimed letter at Avoca for P. Rohde 19/2/1864.

Peter died between Christmas and New year on Dec 27<sup>th</sup> 1864, and was buried in Avoca cemetery. He was 53 years of age, informant John Rohde stated father's occupation as Fellmonger .



aus dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1801-1811

1811

95/ Johann Peter Rohde, ein Rothlöcher, und Maria Dorothea geborne Krumbeck, wohnen in der Kreyenstrasse

Taufzeugen

Daniel Hinrich Eschenborg

Johann Hinrich Gerssel

Anna Christina Eschenborg

Das Kind ist geb. den 17 Octbr: und get. am Sonntag

den 10 Novbr: von d.Herrn Prediger Zietz und genannt

Peter Hinrich Rohde.

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Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1801-1811- Nr. 95/1811 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

Lübeck, den 23. Dezember 1986

Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck

Im Auftrage

*Wiehmann*

(Wiehmann)

Stadtammann



Gebühr DM 9,-

Geb.Hebereg.Nr. 54/86

Translation

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Archives of the Hanse-Town Luebeck

Signed Extract from the Birth-Register of the Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Church in Luebeck 1801 - 1811

Year 1811                      No. 95

Child:                          Peter Hinrich Rohde

born:                            17th of October, 1811

baptized:                        on Sunday, 10th of November by Pastor Zietz

Parents:

Johann Peter R o h d e, a tanner, and Maria Dorothea, née Krumbeck living in the Kreyenstrasse (in Luebeck).

Godparents:

Daniel Hinrich Eschenborg

Johann Hinrich Gerssel

Anna Christina Eschenborg

I, Wiehmann, (Name of the clerk), do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an entry in a Register of Baptism of the Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Church in Luebeck for the years 1801 - 1811 - Nr. 95/1811

- Signature -

Luebeck, 23. 12. 1986

Beglaubigte Abschrift

aus dem Proclamations- und Copulationen-Buch der Ev.-Luth.  
St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1813-1853

1835

15/ Die in Folge Scheins der hiesigen Kanzley vom 10ten July  
d.Js. gestattete Proclamation des Rothlöschersmeisters  
Peter Hinrich Rohde mit Dorothea Christina Elsabe Bartel-  
mann, ist in hiesiger St. Aegidien Kirche am 4.Trinit.  
Sonntag zum ersten- und am folgenden 5t. Sonntag nach  
Trinitatis zum zweitenmale geschehen. Die Copulation ist  
am Donnerstag den 30 July vom Herrn Prediger Michelsen,  
im Hause des Brauers Joach<sup>m</sup> Daniel Rohde in der Fischer-  
grube N<sup>o</sup> 413, vollzogen worden.

vidi A. Michelsen arch. Jac.

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Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Pro-  
clamations- und Copulationen-Buch der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-  
Kirche zu Lübeck 1813-1853 Nr. 15/1835 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

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(Wiehmann)  
Stadtamtman

Gebühr DM 9,-  
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Translation

Archives of the Hanse-Town Luebeck

Signed Extract from the Proclamation- and Copulation-Register of the St.  
Aedidien-Church in Luebeck 1813 - 1853

Year 1835      No. 15      Marriage: July 30th, 1835

Bridegroom:      Peter Hinrich R o h d e, tanner (master)  
Bride:            Dorothea Christina Elsabe Bartelmann

Because of the certificate of the permission of the Town's Office dated  
10th July this year for the banns the copulation was done on Thursday  
the 30th of July 1835 by Pastor Michelsen in the house of the brewer  
Joachim Daniel Rohde, address: Fischergrube No. 413

The banns were on 4th Trinitatis first time and on the following 5th  
Sunday after Trinitatis the second time in the St. Aegiendien-Church.

I, Wiehmann, (Name of the clerk), do hereby certify that the above is a  
true copy of an entry in a Proclamation- and Copulation-Book of the  
Ec.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Church in Luebeck 1813 - 1853.

- Signature -

Luebeck, 23rd Dec., 1986

1836

Nr. 19ter Trinitatis

53. Peter Hinrich Rohde, Rothlöcher, und Christina Dorothea Elsabe geb. Bartelmann, wohnhaft in der Krähenstraße, haben ihr Kind taufen lassen:

Gevattern waren:

Maria Magdalena Rohde

Anna Margaretha Osten

Elsabe Christine Bartelmann

Das Kind, ein Mädchen, geb. den 16ten Septbr. d. Js., ward getauft Sonntag den 9ten Octbr. vom Herrn Prediger Niemeyer und in der Taufe genannt: Auguste Christina Maria.

vidi C. Niemeyer

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Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1836-1856 Nr. 53/1836 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

Lübeck, den 3. März 1987

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*Wielmann*

(Wielmann)

Stadtammann

Gebühr DM 9,-



Signed copy of the Baptism-Register of the Ev.-Luth. Church St. Aegidien in Luebeck 1836-1856

at the Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck

Translation

Anno: 1836, 19th Trinitatis (19th Sunday after Whitsun)

No. 53

Father: Peter Hinrich R o h d e

Address and Occupation: Kraehenstrasse  
tanner

Mother: Christina Dorothea Elsabe, née Bartelmann

Child's given names and sex: Auguste Christina Maria  
female

Day of the birth: 16th of September 1836

Day of baptism: Sunday, 9th of October

Names of the godparents: 1. Maria Magdalena R o h d e  
2. Anna Margaretha O s t e n  
3. Elsabe Christine B a r t e l m a n n

Baptized by Pastor Niemeyer

I, Wielmann, (Stadtammann), do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an entry in a Register of Baptism of the St. Aegidien Church in Luebeck for the years 1836 - 1856 Nr. 53/1836

Signature

aus dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1836-1856

1838

Nr. Sonntag Sexagesimae

12 Peter Hinrich Rohde, Rothlöcher, und Christina Dorothea geb. Bartelmann, wohnhaft in der Krähenstrasse, haben ihr Kind taufen lassen:

Gevattern waren:

Johann Peter Rohde

Marcus Heinrich Rohde

Johann Michael Christian Möller

Das Kind, ein Knabe, geb. den 28. Janr. d. Js., ward getauft am Sonntag den 18. Febr. vom Herrn Prediger Niemeyer und in der Taufe genannt: Johannes.

vidi C.Niemeyer

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Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1836-1856 Nr. 12/1838 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

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Translation

Anno: 1838, 8th Sunday before Easter time

No. 12

Father: Peter Hinrich R o h d e

Address and Occupation: Kraehenstrasse

tanner

Mother: Christina Dorothea Elsabe, née Bartelmann

Child's given names and sex: Johannes male

Day of the birth: 28th of January 1838

Day of baptism: Sunday, 18th February

Names of the godparents: 1. Johann Peter R o h d e  
2. Marcus Heinrich R o h d e  
3. Johann Michael Christian Moeller

Baptized by Pastor Niemeyer

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Signature

1840

Nr. Pfingsten

38 Peter Hinrich Rohde, Rothlöcher, und Christina Dorothea geb. Bartelmann, wohnhaft in der Krähenstrasse, haben ihr Kind taufen lassen

Gevattern waren:

Elsabe Christine Bartelmann

Anna Elisabeth Friederica Rohde

Anna Catharina Elisabeth Müller

Das Kind, ein Mädchen, geb. den 16 May d. Js., ward getauft am 1en Pfing[st]tage den 7 Juny vom Herrn Prediger Niemeyer u. in der Taufe genannt: Mathilde Betty Catharine.

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at the Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck

Translation

Anno:	1840, Whitsun
No.	38
Father:	Peter Hinrich R o h d e
Address and Occupation:	Kraehenstrasse tanner
Mother:	Christina Dorothea Elsabe, née Bartelmann
Child's given names and sex:	Mathilde Betty Catharine female
Day of the birth:	16th of May 1840
Day of baptism:	1st Whitsun-Day - June 7th
Names of the godparents:	1. Elsabe Christine B a r t e l m a n n 2. Anna Elisabeth Friederica R o h d e 3. Anna Catharina Elisabeth Müller

Baptized by Pastor Niemeyer

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Signature

Beglaubigte Abschrift

aus dem Sterbe-Register der Stadt Lübeck für das Jahr 1845

N.º 43

Heute den Fünf und Zwanzigsten Januar Eintausend Achthundert Fünf und Vierzig an der Kanzley der Stadt Lübeck erschien Andreas Jochim Conrad Schmidt, Leichenbestatter, in der Aegidienstraße wohnhaft und zeigte an, daß Christina Dorothea Rohde, geborene Bartelmann, Ein und Dreißig Jahre alt, allhier gebürtig, verheirathet mit Peter Hinrich Rohde, am Zwey und Zwanzigsten Januar Morgens Neun Uhr in ihrer Wohnung in der Krähenstraße belegen, verstorben sey und hat Comparent diesen Sterbeact mit mir unterschrieben.

/:unterz:/ A: J: C: Schmidt

L. H. Kindler  
Secretarius

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Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Sterbe-Register der Stadt Lübeck für das Jahr 1845 Nr. 43 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

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Signed Extract from the Death-Register of the Town Luebeck

Year 1845

No. 43

Today on the 25th of January, 1845 at the town's office appeared Andreas Jochim Schmidt, undertaker, who's address is Aegidienstrasse, and made known that

Christina Dorothea R o h d e, born Bartelmann, 31 years old,

born here, married to Peter Hinrich Rohde, had died on 22nd January, in the morning at 9.00 o'clock in her apartment, which is in the Krähenstrasse, and has together with the secretary signed this registering.

I, Wielmann, (Name of the clerk), do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an entry in a Register of Death of the Town Luebeck for the year 1845 No. 45,

- Signature -

Luebeck, 23. 12. 1986

Beglaubigte Abschrift

aus dem Proclamations- und Copulationen-Buch der Ev.-Luth.  
St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1813-1853

1845

19. Die in Folge Scheins der hiesiger Stadt Kanzlei vom 25ten  
Septbr und 9ten October d. Js. gestattete Proclamation  
und Copulation des Rothlöschermeysters Peter Heinrich Rohde  
mit seiner verlobten Braut Sophia Dorothea Ost, gebürtig zu  
St. Petersburg, ist gestern am 19ten Sonntag nach Trinitatis  
zum ersten und am folgenden 20sten Sonntag nach Trinitatis  
zum Zweiten Male geschehen, und zufolge Consensscheins Sr.  
Magnificenz des Herrn Bürgermeysters Frister vom 30ten Septbr  
mit der 2ten Proclamation die am 3ten Sonntage übliche Fürbitt  
zu verbinden gestattet. Die Copulation ist am Donnerstag den  
9ten October vom Herrn Prediger Kunhardt in der Brautleute  
Wohnung in der Krähenstraße vollzogen worden.

vidi J. Kunhardt

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Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Pro-  
clamations- und Copulationen-Buch der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-  
Kirche zu Lübeck 1813-1853 Nr. 19/1845 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

Lübeck, den 23. Dezember 1986

Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck

Im Auftrage

*Wiehmann*  
(Wiehmann)

Stadt-ammann

Gebühr DM 9,-

Geb. Hebereg. Nr. 54/86



Archives of the Hanse-Town Luebeck

Signed Extract from the Proclamation- and Copulation-Register of the St.  
Aedidien-Church in Luebeck 1813 - 1853

Year 1845

No. 19

Marriage: Oct. 9th, 1845

Bridegroom:

Peter Heinrich R o h d e, tanner (master)

Bride:

Sophia Dorothea Ost, born in St. Petersburg (Russia)

Because of the certificates of the permissions of the Town's Office  
dated 25th September and 9th October this year for the banns and  
marriage the copulation was done on Thursday the 9th of October 1845 by  
Pastor Kunhardt in the bride and bridegroom's apartment in the  
Krähenstrasse.

The banns were on 19th Sunday after Trinitatis first time and on the  
following 20th Sunday after Trinitatis, and because of the certificate  
of consens of His Magnificence the Lord Mayor Frister (dated 30th of  
September) together with the 2nd proclamation (banns) was asked (in the  
church) to pray for bride and bridegroom.

I, Wiehmann, (Name of the clerk), do hereby certify that the above is a  
true copy of an entry in a Proclamation- and Copulation-Book of the  
Ec.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Church in Luebeck 1813 - 1853.

- Signature -

Luebeck, 23rd Dec., 1986

aus dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1836-1856

1846

Nr. 22ster Trinitatis Sonntag

49 Peter Hinrich Rohde, Rothlöcher, und Sophia Dorothea geb. Ost, wohnhaft in der Krähenstraße, haben ihr Kind taufen lassen

Gevattern waren:

Johann Gottfried Ost

Detlev Ost

Johann Daniel Rohde

Das Kind, ein Knabe, geb. den 16ten Octobr. d. Js., ward getauft Sonntag den 8ten Novembr. vom Herrn Prediger Kunhardt und in der Taufe genannt: Peter Hermann.

vidi J. Kunhardt

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Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1836-1856 Nr. 49/1846 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

Lübeck, den 3. März 1987

Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck  
Im Auftrage

Gebühr DM 9,-



*Wiehmann*  
(Wiehmann)  
Stadtammann

Signed copy of the Baptism-Register of the Ev.-Luth. Church St. Aegidien in Luebeck 1836-1856

at the Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck

Translation

Anno: 1846, 22nd Sunday after Whitsun  
No. 49  
Father: Peter Hinrich R o h d e  
Address and Occupation: Kraehenstrasse  
tanner  
Mother: Sophia Dorothea, née O s t  
Child's given names and sex: Peter Hermann  
male  
Day of the birth: 16th of October 1846  
Day of baptism: Sunday, 8st of November  
Names of the godparents:  
1. Johann Gottfried O s t  
2. Detlev O s t  
3. Johann Daniel R o h d e

Baptized by Pastor Kunhardt

I, Wiehmann, (Stadtammann), do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an entry in a Register of Baptism of the St. Aegidien Church in Luebeck for the years 1836 - 1856 Nr. 49/1846

Signature

1852

Nr. Am Sonntag Estomihi

19 Peter Hinrich Rohde, Rothlöschmeister, und Sophia Dorothea geb: Ost, wohnhaft in der Krähenstraße, haben ihr Kind taufen lassen.

Gevattern waren:

Anna Maria Ost,  
Anna Elisabeth Rohde,  
Anna Christine Grammelstorff.

Das Kind, ein Mädchen, geb: d. 23. Januar d. Js., ward getauft am Sonntag d. 22. Februar, von Herrn Prediger Kunhardt und in der Taufe genannt: Bertha.

vidi J. Kunhardt

Die Übereinstimmung der vorstehenden Abschrift mit dem Tauf-Register der Ev.-Luth. St. Aegidien-Kirche zu Lübeck 1836-1856 Nr. 19/1852 wird hiermit beglaubigt.

Lübeck, den 3. März 1987

Gebühr DM 9,-



Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck

Im Auftrage

*Liehmann*  
(Wiehmann)  
Stadtammann

Signed copy of the Baptism-Register of the Ev.-Luth. Church St. Aegidien in Luebeck 1836-1856

at the Archiv der Hansestadt Lübeck

Translation

Anno: 1852, Sunday Estomihi, (7th Sunday before Easter)

No. 19

Father: Peter Hinrich R o h d e

Address and Occupation: Kraehenstrasse  
tanner master

Mother: Sophia Dorothea, née O s t

Child's given names and sex: Bertha  
female

Day of the birth: 23rd of January 1852

Day of baptism: Sunday, 22nd of February

Names of the godparents: 1. Anna Maria O s t  
2. Anna Elisabeth R o h d e  
3. Anna Christine Grammelstorff

Baptized by Pastor Kunhardt

I, Wiehmann, (Stadtammann), do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of an entry in a Register of Baptism of the St. Aegidien Church in Luebeck for the years 1836 - 1856 Nr. 19/1852

Signature

NAMES AND DESCRIPTIONS OF PASSENGERS

Passenger No.	Name of Passenger	Adult		Children		Profession, Occupation or Calling of Passenger	Sex	Race	Age	Other Particulars
		M.	F.	M.	F.					
1668	Richard English	21				Coast				All from
1669	Joseph Saly	21				do				
	James do	20				do				
1670	A. Student	17				do				
1671	Johna Hoys	23	25			Sally				
	Thomas do	23				do				
	Thomas do	19				do				
	do & family	11				do				
1672	Andrew do	25				Farmer				
1673	William O'Hara	34				Coast				
1674	Samuel Sweeney	22				Student				
1675	John Finckel	23				Wright				
	James Paul	27				Wine				
1676	Andrew Hoys	23				do				
1677	James Goodson	26				Coast				
1678	John do	22				Farmer				
1679	Chas Carroll	23				Coast				
1680	Andrew do	26				Coast				
1681	Thomas Seward	28				do				
1682	Samuel do	18				Labourer				
978	John Foy Rhode	41				Investment				
	Thomas do	36				Wife				
	John do	11				do				
979	James Whelan	29				Labourer				
	John do	20				do				
	Thomas Sweeney	22				do				
980	Wm Brown	29				Business				
	John Fair	29				do				
981	Wm Gibson	41				Farmer				
	Harriet do	36				Wife				
	Allen do	13				do				
	Geo do	11				do				
	John do	9				do				
	Sarah do	11				do				
982	Rev. Thos. Heenan	52				Farmer				
	Isabella do	31				Wife				
	Rev. Thos. do	27				do				
	Wm. Keenan	28				Farmer				
983	Geo. Seward	44				Merchant				
	John Seward	21				Butcher				
984	do	21	10	5	1	do			185	5

Date of arrival  
 at this port  
 August 16<sup>th</sup> 1880  
 The Steamer  
 "Aunt Elizabeth"

**SUMMARY.**

	NUMBER OF SOULS.					TOTAL	EQUAL SHARES PAID IN
	ENGLISH	SCOTCH	IRISH	OTHER COUNTRY	TOTAL		
ADULTS	115-	20	77	5-	217	217	
CHILDREN BETWEEN 14 AND 1	15-	10	5-	2-	32	32	
INFANTS	4	2	-	-	6	6	
TOTAL	134	32	82	7	255	255	

We hereby certify, that the above is a correct List of the Names and Descriptions of all the Passengers who embarked at the Port of Liverpool.

Wm. H. B. ...  
 Signed: *Wm. H. B. ...* Master  
 Countersigned: *...* Officer of Customs.

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*...*

**SCHEDULE B.**

DEATHS in the District of

in the Colony

of Victoria,

Registered by

**SCHEDULE B.**

DESCRIPTION.		Name and Surname, Rank or Profession.	Sex and Age.	Cause of Death, (a) Duration of last illness, (b) Medical Attendant by whom certified, and (c) When he last saw Deceased.	Name and Surname of Father and Mother, if known, with Rank or Profession.	Name, Description, and Residence of Informant.	(a) Signature of Deputy Registrar, (b) Date, and (c) Where Registered.	When and where buried, Undertaker by whom certified.	Name and Religion of Minister, or Names of Witnesses of Burial.	Where Borne, and how long in the Australian Colonies, stating which.	IF DECEASED WAS MARRIED (a) Where, and at what Age, and to or Whom, and (b) Name and Age of Wife, and (c) Name and Age of Husband.
Age and where Died.											
Twenty		Peter John	Male	Inflamnation of bowels	Not known	John Robde	Robde	St. Vincent's	German	Age 25	
Twenty		John	Male	Pre vents		The Hon	Goodman	St. Vincent's	Australian	Age 25	
Twenty		John	Male	Pre vents		Proca	Goodman	St. Vincent's	Australian	Age 25	

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF AN ENTRY IN A REGISTER KEPT IN THIS OFFICE IN THE STATE OF VICTORIA, IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.  
 OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT STATIST.  
 MELBOURNE. 23 JUN 1985

*[Signature]*  
 REGISTRATION OFFICER

## JOHANNES ROHDE

Born 28th January 1838 in Lubeck, Germany, Johannes was the only son of Peter Hinrich & Christina Bartelmann.

A few days before his seventh birthday Johannes' mother died at home in the Kreyenstrasse, Lubeck.

With three small children Auguste (8), Johannes (6), and Mathilde (4) father Peter requested and received special permission to marry Sophia Ost the same year 1845.

At 15 years of age Johannes arrived in the colonies. He must surely have wondered what lay ahead as he stood on the deck of the Falcon as it rode the waves into Pt Phillip Bay on a winters day in August of 1853. After three months at sea, no doubt he was eager to step ashore on this new land so far from his homeland.

Although he did not know it then Johannes was to return to his place of birth.

After the Carisbrook venture, Johannes, like all able bodied young men of the time caught gold fever, following the rushes as they came, before moving on to the new rush, forever seeking the precious metal. He also had a stint at coach driving with Cobb & Co-Maryborough, Castlemaine, Melbourne run. A family story goes "On one trip he was just behind the bushrangers all the way", and he "lost a whip on each trip", Finally he was three days late and got the sack, to he happily amused when his replacement driver was a week late the very first trip Johannes father Peter Hinrich died when Johannes was 26 yrs old and living in Avoca.



In 1871 Johannes married Mary Ann Pedro, daughter of John Heindrick Pedro (dec) and Bridget Partridge at Avoca Lead.

They were married in the home of August Passow, stepfather of the bride. Johannes was 33 years of age and Mary Ann 19.

Johannes occupation Miner.

Shortly after Johannes & Mary Ann move to Lower Homebush. Their home was a small miners cottage on Vales Reef overlooking Homebush, this was to be Johannes home for the next thirty years.

Their children were:-

Christina Born 1871  
Mary Matilda 1875  
August Ashlen 1879

Augusta (lived 3 mths)1872  
Henrietta A. (lived one year)1876

George Peter 1873  
Johannes Henry 1878



Johannes and Mary Ann with (left to right)  
George, Johannes, Matilda, August and Christina

Johannes and Mary Ann's eldest children Christina and George faced a long walk to and fro school at Homebush until the first school opened at Lower Homebush in 1880 when no doubt Tilly joined them.

On the 10th December 1881 Mary Ann died when having her 8th child. She was 30 years old. Johannes was left with five young children aged from 2 to 10 years old. The Passow family continued to live on at Vales Reef, Mary Ann's mother Bridget Passow lived in Lower Homebush and no doubt helped, but the care of Johannes (3) and August (2) and the household duties were thrust upon Christina at 10 years of age. In 1887 when the fine Lower Homebush school opened all with the exception of Christina probably, attended. They are most likely in the photo taken on Arbour Day (tree planting) shortly after the school opened. Old school records of pupils 1887 -1900 lists Aug, Tilly and George.

William James Harris  
 Mary Ellen Harris  
 Laura Eliza Squires  
 Eva Louisa Squires  
 Leopold Alfred Squires, Snr.  
 Lillian-Emilv Squires  
 Clarice Emma Squires  
 Richard Harris  
 Maud Harris  
 Wade Greenwood  
 Joe Barry  
 George Barry  
 Gordon Barry  
 Samuel John Barry

Emma McEwan  
 Jim Douglas  
 Walter Douglas  
 Lil Douglas  
 Joan Douglas  
 Emily Douglas  
 (Thomas Douglas)  
 (Isabell Douglas)  
 Mathew Cameron  
 Elsie Nicholls  
 Jack Waters  
 Aug Rohde  
 Tilly, Rohde  
 George Rohde

Walter Nicholls  
 Harry Nicholls  
 Bill Nicholls  
 Dave Garner  
 Ernest Garner  
 Thomas Garner  
 Ruby Garner  
 Joe Garner  
 Susie Haye  
 Freestones  
 Lizzie Larson  
 Jimmy Tresize  
 Horace Tresize  
 Aenus Tresize

Johannes was admitted to Maryborough Hospital 7.1.1889 - occupation Miner. From at least 1891 Johannes intended to return to Germany and for Tilly to go and live with his sister Auguste Grammelstorff in Lubeck, a widow and childless. After correspondence between Tilly and Auguste , the date was set and Johannes and Tilly sailed for Europe approximately February 1893.

Johannes was then 55 years old, having left his country of birth some 40 years before. After spending three or four months in Lubeck while Tilly settled in, Johannes sailed back to Australia arriving before Christmas 1893

Johannes admitted to Maryborough Hospital June 3<sup>rd</sup> 1900 - occupation Miner.

In 1901 Johannes became a naturalised British subject (this was necessary to become a land owner).

Johannes' three sons were all at Burnt Creek near Donolly in 1901, and Johannes shifted to Middle Bridge (now Betley) about that time. He was watchman at a mine (Burnt Creek No 2 was behind Middle Bridge township). He died there in 1903 of asthma, pneumonia at 65 years of age.

Johannes spent 50 years in his adopted country and is buried in Avoca cemetery with his wife Mary Ann and four of his children.



Johannes 1893

Gold was found at Four Mile Flat in 1853 with further rushes in 1860/61. It was then the town was surveyed and given the name Homebush. The gold was coarse and bright in colour and mining was both alluvial and deep lead. Housing firstly was calico tents, then log and slab huts with bark roofs, tin huts with bark roofs and then wooden buildings with iron roofs.

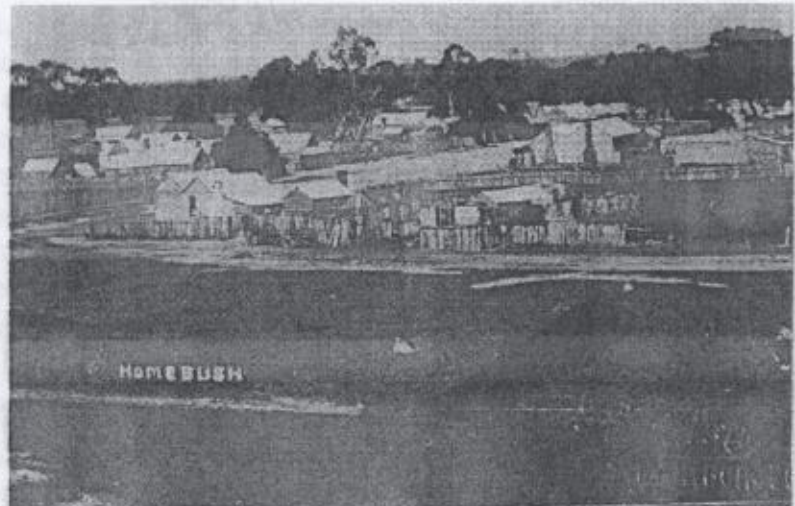
The population during the rush 1860/65 was 20,000. Lower Homebush had stores - Squire's groceries, Post Office and Bank, Miss Welch's Drapery, Bradley's groceries and clothes, Mr Bostocks butchers shop, Harris, four hotels later two, McEwan's and Nicholls, Police station, Wesleyan chapel, Church England or Union Church.

There was also a recreation reserve and public hall.

During the ensuing years cricket teams and football teams were formed, there was a brass band and mounted rifle team. Concerts raised money for church and school.

In 1873 Johannes' name appears on the register as a share holder in 'Homebush mining company.', Vales Reef.

In 1878 and again in 1880 Johannes took out timber licences. This was to cut sleepers and wood for the railways. The railway line between Maryborough and Avoca, with a station at Homebush, opened in 1878.



### Homebush Lower School No. 2258



A school operated at Homebush as early as 1861. A school for the large number of children at Homebush lower was established in 1880. A hardwood building, 30ft x 13ft unlined and without ceiling, was purchased and removed to the gazetted school reserve.

Immediately overcrowded, a church hall adjacent was leased in 1881. Next a portable was added in 1882, the enrolment then being 183. Residents

thought the makeshift building unworthy of their prosperous township and urged and petitioned for a permanent and substantial building. Homebush Lower school No. 2258 was built in 1886. There was 300 pupils attending this school in 1887. As with many goldfield schools the pupils and population declined gradually as the mines closed. In 1903 there was only 40 pupils. The school finally closed its doors in 1967. Today it stands alone looking towards what was once the main street of the bustling gold town of Lower Homebush.

SCHEDULE D.

Marriages solemnized in the District of

SCHEDULE D.

in the Colony of Victoria.

When and where married.	Name and Surname of the Parties.	Conditions of the Parties.		Birthplace.
		Single or Widower or Widow, Date of former Marriage, and Date of Divorce.	Single, Widower, or Widow.	
2nd March 1901 at St. Ignace's Church Araucaria	Johannes Pabel Mary Anne Pabel	Single	Single	Zwickau Lüneburg
1. George Matheson to be by solemnly, that I have this day solemnized Marriage between and for Notice and Declaration duly made and published as by law required (read with the written consent of the other party to the said	being August Pabel's former wife Mary Anne Pabel's former husband	Widower	Widower	Zwickau Lüneburg

Bachelors.	Uxors.	Parents.	
		Name, (and Maiden Name).	Father's Rank.
33	Araucaria	Pabel, John	None
19	Araucaria	Matheson, George	None

Marrriage solemnized between us according to the rites of the Protestant Church

Witnesses  
 Johannes Pabel  
 Mary Anne Pabel

05/47411 dm I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF AN ENTRY IN A REGISTER KEPT IN THIS OFFICE

IN THE STATE OF VICTORIA, IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA,  
 OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT STATIST.

MELBOURNE. 30 May 1905

*Elizabeth Pabel*  
 REGISTRATION OFFICER

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Gold was found at Four Mile Flat in 1852...  
discovered and given the name Four Mile Flat...  
both alluvial and deep lead. Homing...  
the mine with back roots and then working...

The population during the rush 1852-53 was 2,000...  
groceries, Post Office and Bank. Miss Welch...  
Barracks built in 1852. There were hotels...  
Western shops, Church, Hospital or Dispensary...  
There was also a registration office and...  
during the remaining years...  
population...  
of 1852...  
as a share holder in...  
the mining company...  
Vale...  
in 1874 and again in 1881...  
took out water licenses. This was to...  
out sleepers and wires for the...  
railway. The railway line between...  
Mareeborough and Aroos, with a...  
passage Hamersley, opened in...  
1878.

Schedule A. - Rule 4.

Notice of Application for Mining Lease.

WE, the undersigned, hereby give notice that, within six days from the date hereof, we will leave with the Warden of the Mining Division of Aroos, an application for a Gold Mining Lease, the particulars whereof are hereunder set forth:-

<p>James Henry McQuinn, of 13 Avon, and Melbourne and Thomas Jones, of 13 Avon, of Queensland, the Vale, a Gold Mining Lease.</p>	<p>Name in full of applicant, with full address of each, and the name of the mine, and the name of the lease, and the name of the person to whom the lease shall be granted.</p>
<p>Joseph Bucker</p>	<p>Name of each Person to whom the lease is to be granted, and the name of the lease.</p>
<p>For the first 5 months 2 men. Subsequently when in full work, as many men as can be employed.</p>	<p>Minimum number of men to be employed.</p>
<p>15 years.</p>	<p>Term for which the ground is to be leased.</p>
<p>£1500.</p>	<p>Amount of money to be paid for the lease, and the name of the person to whom it is to be paid.</p>
<p>No.</p>	<p>Whether the boundaries of the lease are defined by natural or artificial boundaries, and whether the lease is to be worked in whole or in part.</p>
<p>A deed and plans of the ground.</p>	<p>Other particulars.</p>

JAMES HENRY McQUINN  
THOMAS JONES

Date and place. - Aroos, September 10th 1884.

WARNING TO APPLICANTS. - If at any time after the execution of the lease granted on this application a less number of men be employed, or if the ground shall not be worked to the best advantage, then and in either case the lease will be forfeited.

Hamersley Lower School



thought the makeshift building...  
a permanent and substantial...  
was 300 pupils attend...  
population declined gradually...  
finally closed its doors in 19...  
street of the bustling gold...

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Stamp  
4/27/01  
27/5/01

Rg 27 May

I have the honour to submit a Memorial for Letters of Naturalization, and  
to request that it may be laid before His Excellency the Governor as early as  
convenient.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

Johannes Rohde

The Honorable  
The Chief Secretary.

MEMORIAL FOR LETTERS OF NATURALIZATION.

28/5/01  
26/6/01

to His Excellency the Governor in Council.

The Memorial of Johannes (John) Rohde  
of Kesselbach, in the Colony of Victoria:

Respectfully sheweth—

- 1. That your Memorialist's name is Johannes Rohde
- 2. That he is sixty three years of age
- 3. That he was born at Luebeck Germany
- 4. That he is by occupation a Miner
- 5. That on the about the 20th day of July in the year 1853  
he arrived in the Colony of Victoria by the ship Falcon  
from the Port of Liverpool in England  
and that he has ever since his arrival, being a period of forty eight  
years, been a resident in said Colony of Victoria.

He is desirous of permanently settling in the said Colony, and of  
being naturalized therein.

Your Memorialist, therefore, prays that Your Excellency may be pleased to  
grant to your Memorialist Letters of Naturalization, under the Act of the Parliament  
of Victoria, numbered 1063, subject to the provisions therein contained, and subject  
also to such conditions as Your Excellency may consider necessary or advisable.

And your Memorialist will ever pray.

Johannes Rohde

Dated the 25th day of May A.D. 1901

[OATH.]

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The Letters of Naturalization  
APPROVED BY HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR AND THE SEAL OF THE GOVERNMENT  
AND REGISTERED IN THE REGISTER OFFICE

27/5

Victoria, Chief Secretary's Office  
Letters Received, annual single number series with  
letter prefix or infix 1855-1903  
\*Memorial for *RONDE, Johannes*  
Australian Archives CRS A712 item 190/06030

Chief Secretary's Office,  
Melbourne, *J. M. Murray* 1901.

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you that

*your*

Memorial for Naturalization has been acceded to, and

that upon *your* taking the oath, in the form

below, before a *Judge of the Supreme Court, County*

*Court, or Court of Mines, a Police Magistrate, or a*

*Justice, and forwarding the same to this office,*

addressed to me, and ~~accompanied by a stamp, postal~~

~~note, or cash to the value of Two shillings and sixpence;~~

for the enrolment thereof, Letters of Naturalization

will be prepared and issued.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

*M. J. Rohde*  
*Homebush*

*M. Callaghan*  
Under-Secretary.

*C.6030.*

### OATH OF ALLEGIANCE.

I DO sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King Edward the Seventh, as lawful Sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of this State of Victoria. So HELP ME God.

Signature *Johannes Rohde*

The above-named *Johannes Rohde*

did take and subscribe the foregoing oath at *Mogea*

in the State of Victoria, on the *8<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* A.D. 1901

Before me *M. Murray Wise J.P.*

CERTIFICATE.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I know Johannes Ronde (Rohde)  
of Warracomb  
in the Colony of Victoria, Miner, the Memorialist mentioned  
in the Memorial hereunto annexed, and have known him for over  
thirty years last past, and that he is, to the best of my belief and  
knowledge, a person of good repute.

\* Signature of the  
warden, police  
magistrate, or jus-  
tice of the peace.

W. Murray Wise J.P.  
Dated this 7th day of May 1890.

VICTORIA  
MEMORIALIST

MEMORIALIST'S NAME  
MEMORIALIST'S RESIDENCE  
MEMORIALIST'S OCCUPATION  
MEMORIALIST'S STATE LENGTH OF TIME  
MEMORIALIST'S SIGNATURE  
MEMORIALIST'S ADDRESS  
MEMORIALIST'S DATE

RECORDED by the Chief Secretary's Office, Victoria, on the 10th day of May 1890.

Charles A. Stupp

Victoria, Chief Secretary's Office  
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OATH OF MEMORIALIST.

I, Johannes Ronde  
 of Hombach in the Colony of Victoria, Miner  
 make oath that the statements set forth by me in the foregoing Memorial are true.

So help me God!

Signature, Johannes Ronde

Sworn before me at Waco  
 this 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 1890

Signature of the  
 justice of the peace  
 before whom the  
 oath is taken.

M. Murray Wise JP

OATH OF ALLEGIANCE

I do solemnly promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance  
 to His Majesty King Edward the Seventh, or lawful Sovereign of the United  
 Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and of His Majesty of Victoria, New South

Waco  
 Johannes Ronde  
 did take and subscribe the foregoing oath at Waco  
 in the State of Victoria, on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of May 1890  
M. Murray Wise JP

VICTORIA.

No. 8833.

LETTERS OF NATURALIZATION

UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF AN ACT OF THE PARLIAMENT OF VICTORIA, NO. 1083.

M. H. STAMP  
CANCELLED  
18/6/01

By His Excellency The Honorable Sir John Madden, Knight Commander of the Most Distinguished Order of Saint Michael and Saint George; Lieutenant-Governor of the State of Victoria and its Dependencies, &c., &c., &c.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:—

GREETING:

Whereas in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the Parliament of Victoria, passed in the fifty-fourth year of the Reign of Her Majesty QUEEN VICTORIA, numbered 1063, intitled "An Act to Consolidate the Law relating to Aliens,"

*Johannes Rohde of Amelbuer* in the State of Victoria, *Chines*

has presented to me in Council a Memorial, signed and verified upon oath in the form and manner prescribed by the said recited Act, praying that Letters of Naturalization may be granted to him, such Petition being accompanied by a Certificate, as required by the said Act; And whereas I, the Lieutenant-Governor of the said State of Victoria, by and with the consent and advice of the Executive Council of the same, have thought fit to grant such Letters of Naturalization to the said *Johannes Rohde* and the said

*Johannes Rohde* having taken the oath prescribed by the said Act: Now therefore I, the Lieutenant-Governor aforesaid, do hereby grant unto the said *Johannes Rohde* all the rights and capacities within the said State of Victoria of a natural-born British subject, except that of becoming a member of the Executive Council of the said State, and subject to the provisions set forth in the said recited Act.



Given under my Hand and the Seal of the said State of Victoria, at Melbourne, in Victoria aforesaid, this *Eighteenth* day of *June* One thousand nine hundred and *One*

(Signed) *John Madden*

By His Excellency's Command,  
(Signed) *M.A. Turner*

ENROLLED by me, in RECORD OF NATURALIZATIONS, Book 47, Page 256, this *Eighteenth* day of *June* One thousand nine hundred and *One*

(Signed) *Charles A. Jupp*  
Under Secretary.

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RENNIE, David DA 31.5.1874, 7, NO White Hills, Presbyt. accident  
RENNISON/REWISON, Blanche Arabella NO Dunolly DA 21.5.1895, 17, domestic, Carisbrook, C of E, emergency.  
RESHOFT, Frederick DA 29.4.1869, 39, labourer, Mosquito. PE Hamburg, ship  
ick/Fritz Bielfeldt/Peterfeld/Boulevard, 13 yrs IC. single, Lutheran  
DA 16.12.1876, 47, miner, Amphitheatre, as above.  
DA 14.6.1892, 63, as above, died 25.6.1892  
RESTALL, Frederick DA 13.1.1879, 55, blacksmith, Moonambel. PE London, ship  
Luconia, 25 yrs IC. married, C of E, NO Hampshire Eng.  
RESTALL, MaryAnn Da 14..1883, 74, Moonambel. PE London, ship Javer/Iaver,  
30 yrs IC. widow, C of E, NO Portsmouth Eng. died 10.8.86  
RETALLICK, Elizabeth DA 5.3.1881, 21, Homebush. Wesleyan, single, NO Ararat  
RETALLICK, Mary DA 14.10.1889, 64, Homebush. PE Plymouth, ship Panama, 35 yrs  
Anne IC. married, WEsleyan, NO Cornwall  
RETALLICK, William DA 1 0.3.1888, 55, Homebush. PE Liverpool, ship Panama, 33  
IC. married, Wesleyan, NO Cornwall  
REVILLE, Peter DA 21.1.1905, 23, miner, Carisbrook, married, RC  
REWLEY, John DA 16.1.1860, 20, labourer. PE Liverpool, ship Ocean Chief,  
11 mths IC. single, Protestant  
REYNOLDS, Ann DA 4.1.1872, 11, Havelock. Presbyt. accident. NO Hines Vic  
REYNOLDS, Ann DA 25.1.1880, 19, Havelock. RC, accident, NO Redbank  
REYNOLDS, Elizabeth DA 17.5.1876, 17, Havelock. Presbyt. NO Sandhurst  
DA 27.2.1878, 19, as above  
REYNOLDS, George DA 5.12.1871, 23, coach painter, Maryborough. PE Plymouth, 21  
IC. single, WEsleyan  
REYNOLDS, Henry DA 18.1.1904, 19, labourer, Maryborough. Presbyt.  
REYNOLDS, Johanna DA 7.2.1887, 18, NO Havelock, Presbyt. accident  
or Johnnea DA 6.12.1894, 25, servant, Maryborough. single, Presbyt.  
NO Havelock  
REYNOLDS, John DA 25.2.1867, 45, husbandman, Majorca. PE Plymouth, ship  
Bombay, 14 yrs IC. single, C of E  
REYNOLDS, Margaret DA 23.2.1877, 10, Havelock. Presbyt. NO Havelock  
DA 3.6.1888, 21, as above, accident  
REYNOLDS, William DA 13.1.1863, 63, butcher. PE London, ship Catherine Stewart,  
31 yrs IC. single, C of E  
REYNOLDS, William DA 6.10.1874, 40, mariner, Havelock. PE Liverpool, ship Frisk  
21 yrs IC. married, RC. DA 18.4.1885, miner, ship Frisk, NO  
Lancashire  
REYNOLDSON, Blanche DA 30.7.1905, 29, home duties, Maryborough. married, C of E  
NO Vic.  
RHIND, Andrew DA 4.12.1857, 58, died 8.2.1859  
RHODA, Johannes DA 7.1.1889, 50, miner, Avoca. PE Liverpool, ship Falcon, 35y  
IC. widower, Lutheran, NO Lubeck Germany  
RHODA, Johannes DA 19.1.1889, 10, NO Avoca, Lutheran  
RHODES, Clemets DA 19.5.1881, 20, butcher, NO Carisbrook, C of E, single  
RICE, Alice DA 31.10.1871, 17, Maryborough. PE Hobart Town, ship City of  
Hobart, 13 yrs IC. single, C of E. DA 19.12.1874, 12.9.1876,  
2.1.1877  
RICE, Alice DA 7.3.1872, 39, Golden Point. PE Liverpool, ship Tasmania, 2  
IC. married, RC. DA 17.7.1886, 52, as above, NO Co. Carlow  
RICE, Charles DA 6.9.1890, 24, NO Maryborough. single, C of E  
George  
RICE, Edward DA 2.2.1871, 14, Golden Point. PE Hobart Town, ship City of  
Hobart, 10 yrs IC, Congregationalist, accident  
RICE, George DA 6.10.1881, 23, miner, Golden Point. NO Hobart Town, ship C  
of Hobart. Congregationalist  
RICE, Samuel DA 21.6.1875, 53, farmer, Bet Bet. PE California, 23, yrs 10  
married, C of E  
RICE, Thomas DA 11.12.1858, 40, Indep.  
RICE, Thomas DA 6.1.1898, 69, miner, Golden Point. PE Liverpool, ship  
Captain Cook, 39 yrs IC. single, C of E, NO Somersetshire  
DA 21.6.1900, 71. DA 24.12.1906, 78, miner, Maryborough  
RICHARDS, Abraham DA 2.4.1879, 38, miner, Lower Alma. PE Plymouth, ship Stebon-  
heath, married, WEsleyan, NO Cornwall  
RICHARDS, Alexander DA 15.3.1854, 17, PE Sydney, ship Queen of the South, 14 yrs  
IC. single, Presbyt.  
RICHARDS, Ann DA 11.1.1876, 19, Four Mile Flat. PE Liverpool, ship Champion  
of the Sea, 12 yrs IC. single, C of E  
RICHARDS, Ann DA 3.7.1883, 64, White Hills. PE New York, ship Reverse, 12yrs  
IC. married, C of E, NO Liverpool, died 18.9.1883  
RICHARDS, David DA 21.7.1856, 30, DA 10.9.1857, 31  
RICHARDS, David DA 23.5.1875, 55, miner, White Hills. PE Liverpool, ship Prin-  
of the Seas, 15 yrs IC. single, WEsleyan, accident

ROGAN, George DA 24.11.1883, 18, miner, NO Bet Bet. RC.  
 DA 20.12.1883, 18, miner, Bet Bet.  
 ROGAN, George DA 22.11.1902, 82, labourer, Bet Bet. PE Birkenhead, ship  
 Conway, 45 yrs IC. married, RC, NO Ireland  
 ROGAN, Lavander DA 17.11.1904, 4, Maryborough, WEsleyan  
 ROGAN, Leila DA 21.3.1904, 7, Maryborough, WEsleyan, accident  
 ROGAN, Linne/  
 Linton C. DA 11.4.1903, 5, school, Maryborough, WEsleyan, accident, NO Vic  
 DA 3.3.1906, 8, school,  
 ROGAN, Michael DA 12.9.1899, 18, miner, Carisbrook. Wesleyan, NO Timor  
 ROGAN, Patrick DA 23.12.1895, 21, miner, NO Bet Bet, RC; accident  
 ROGAN, Rose DA 25.6.1900, 11, Flagstaff Reef, RC, emergency, NO Maryborough  
 ROGAN, Rosetha DA 11.6.1892, 4, Shicer Gully. RC, NO Smokey Gully Vic  
 ROGERS, Annie DA 5.4.1884, 8, Maryborough. RC, NO Vic.  
 ROGERS, Bridget DA 12.2.1884, 41, Maryborough. PE Plymouth, ship Sir John Moore,  
 20 yrs IC. married, RC, NO Tipperary  
 ROGERS, Charles DA 5.5.1873, 20, miner, Alma. NO Melbourne, single, C of E  
 ROGERS, Elizabeth DA 17.10.1872, 37, Majorca. PE Birkenhead, ship John & Lucy, 16yr  
 IC. married, WEsleyan  
 ROGERS, Francis DA 20.2.1864, 29, ship carpenter. PE Ceylon, ship Pauline, 6yrs  
 IC. single, C of E. DA 2 others undated, within 1 yr.  
 ROGERS, Francis DA 21.1.1868, 32, shipwright, Majorca. PE London, ship Procy-  
 matea, 8 yrs IC. single, C of E  
 ROGERS, George DA 18.8.1859, 24, PE Hull, ship Jenny, 6 yrs IC. single,  
 Protestant, died 28.8.59  
 ROGERS, George DA 26.1.1887, 9, NO Maryborough, RC  
 ROGERS, Isabella DA 7.5.1874, 29, Middle Creek. PE Plymouth, ship Princess  
 Atalanta, 8 yrs IC. married, WEsleyan  
 ROGERS, Jacob DA 29.7.1897, 19, labourer, New Town. RC, 1 lyr IC. NO Mary-  
 bo rough. Recomm. by Mrs Rogers  
 DA 6.9.1898, 21, dairyman, White Hills, Recomm. Mrs Rogers  
 DA 30.7.1907, 29, dairyfarm, White Hills, married, RC, Recomm.  
 by J. Rogers  
 ROGERS, James DA 6.9.1871, 49, miner, Carisbrook. PE Bristol, ship Surrey,  
 19 yrs IC. single, Baptist  
 ROGERS, John DA 22.1.1877, 48, labourer, Rodborough. PE Deptford, ship  
 Wm Jardin, 30 yrs IC. single, C of E  
 ROGERS, John DA 24.1.1860, 32, labourer. PE California, ship New Orleans, 7yr  
 IC. single, C of E  
 ROGERS, Jonathan DA 5.9.1855, 36,  
 ROGERS, Patrick DA 2.8.1880, 60, labourer, Joyces Creek. PE Cork, ship Martin  
 Luther, 38 yrs IC. married, RC, NO Cork IRE  
 ROGERS, Thomas DA 5.1.1906, 75, miner, Majorca. PE Plymouth, ship The Standard  
 52 yrs IC. married, C of E, NO Cornwall  
 ROGERS, Thos Shaw DA 25.10.1869, 45, clerk, Majorca. PE Liverpool, ship Mountain-  
 eer, 16 yrs IC. single, Cof E  
 ROHDA, Geo rge DA 12.9.1889, 15, NO Vales Reef Avoca. Lutheran  
 ROHDE, John DA 3.6.1900, 62, miner, Homebush. PE Liverpool, ship Falcon,  
 47 yrs IC. widower, Lutheran, NO Germany  
 ROLFE, Charles DA 27.4.1871, 26, shoemaker, Maryborough. Ship Hellina, 18yrs  
 IC. single, Christian Disciples  
 ROLFE, Francis DA 14.8.1869, 65, printer, Maryborough. PE London, ship Ellen,  
 17 yrs IC. married, Congregationalist. DA 27.9.1878, carter,  
 NO Essex ENG  
 ROLFE, Frederick DA 11.4.1873, 30, miner, Maryborough. PE London, ship Ellen  
 21 yrs IC. married, C of E. accident. DA 3.8.1897, labourer  
 widower, accident NO Kent. DA 18.10.1897, accident  
 ROLFE, John DA 30.12.1885, 12, NO Maryborough, C of E  
 ROLFE, Maude DA 13.6.1898, 14, domestic, Maryborough. came overland, 2 yrs IC  
 single, C of E, NO Adelaide SA  
 ROLFE, Walter DA 7.10.1888, 7, NO Maryborough, C of E  
 ROLLS, Frank DA 21.4.1866, 31, miner, Maryborough. PE London, ship Camille,  
 12 yrs IC. single, C of E BRITANNIA  
 ROLPHART/RULPBURT DA 8.6.1865, 51, labourer, Brittuim Reef?. PE Hamburg, ship  
 Fritz Australia, 13 yrs IC. single.  
 ROMAN, Thomas DA 1.2.1868, 44, labourer, New Town. PE Gravesend, ship  
 Elphinstone, 26 yrs IC. single, C of E  
 ROMARA, Joseph DA 3.4.1883, 57, stonemason, Maryborough. PE Adelaide, ship  
 Shenandoah, 35 yrs IC. married, Bible Christian, NO South  
 America, died 10.4.83 KORMARO ?  
 ROMEY, Maria DA 19.3.1873, 114, NO Redbank, C of E. accident  
 RONALD, James Da 14.5.1861, 28, cloth lapper. PE Liverpool, ship Queen of the  
 Seas, 7 yrs IC. single, Presbyt.  
 RONALDSON, James DA 12.3.1901, 23, pattern maker, Maryborough, 21 yrs IC. single,  
 Presbyt. NO Penell, N.Z.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

DEATHS in the District of **DURVEILY** in the State of **Victoria,**

Registered by **W. J. PARKER**

(12) Who and when Died.	DESCRIPTION.		(13) Name and Surname, Rank, or Profession.	(14) Sex and Age.	(15) Cause of Death, or Location of Last Illness, as Legally qualified Medical Practitioner is, when certified, and (16) When & at what Place.	(17) Name and Surname of Father and Mother (When Known), if known, with Rank or Profession.	(18) Signature, Description, and Residence of Informant.	(19) Signature of Registrar, in Date, and at Where Registered.	(20) Where and when buried, or where interred, with name of the person or persons with whom certified.	(21) Name and Religious denomination, or Name of Minister, or Name of Minister of Religion.	(22) Where born, and how long in the Australian Colonies, stating which.	IF DECEASED WAS MARRIED	
	(23) Where and at what in A.C.S. and to whom.	(24) Name and Age.											
22 <sup>nd</sup> October 1903 Metcham Town of the Parish of Glenelg County of Glenelg	Johannes Rohde Metcham	Male 60 <sup>1/2</sup> years	1) Johannes Rohde 2) 56 days 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903 4) 21 <sup>st</sup> October 1903	1) Johannes Rohde 2) 56 days 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903 4) 21 <sup>st</sup> October 1903	1) Johannes Rohde 2) 56 days 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903 4) 21 <sup>st</sup> October 1903	1) Johannes Rohde 2) 56 days 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903 4) 21 <sup>st</sup> October 1903	J. P. Rohde Lore	1) W. J. Parker 2) 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 1903 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903	1) W. J. Parker 2) 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 1903 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903	1) W. J. Parker 2) 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 1903 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903	1) W. J. Parker 2) 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 1903 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903	1) W. J. Parker 2) 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 1903 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903	1) W. J. Parker 2) 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 1903 3) 21 <sup>st</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> 1903

A REGISTRATION OFFICER OF THE STATE OF VICTORIA, IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA, DO HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THE ABOVE IS A TRUE COPY OF AN ENTRY IN A REGISTER KEPT IN THIS OFFICE

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNMENT STATIST  
MELBOURNE

26 November 1902

*W. J. Parker*

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At 17 years of age Bridget Partridge arrived at Moreton Bay on the ship 'Tippoo Saib' on 29th July 1850. Shipping records indicate she was from Teirlachan, Longford in Ireland and her parents Patrick and Mary were both deceased. On the 18th May 1851 Bridget married John Pedro in Brisbane.

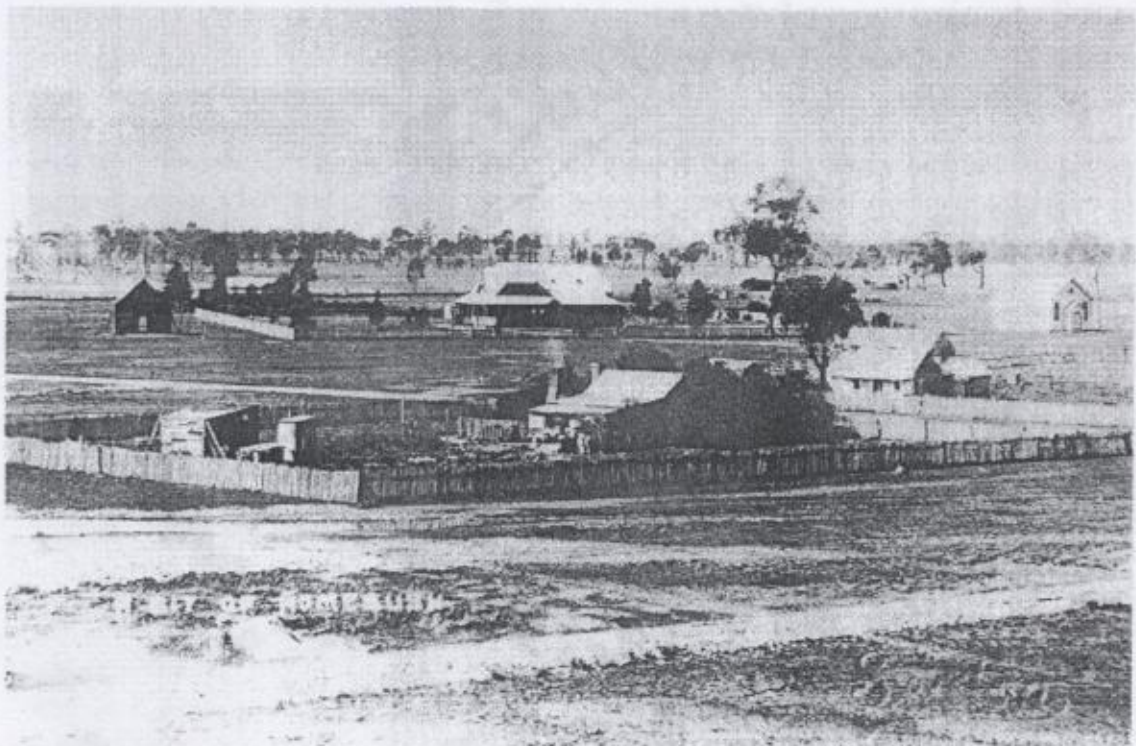
The three children from that marriage were Mary Ann, born in Sth Brisbane, Elizabeth, born in Sydney and George born at Sandhurst (Bendigo).

John Pedro who was born in Manila died in 1860 and is buried in Avoca cemetery (as John Peters). He was 35 years old. In 1861 Bridget married August Passow in Cof E Avoca. He was a 29 year old bachelor, a miner and was born in Germany. His father was Henry a Clergyman and mother Louisa Vontellish. They had one child Louisa who was born 8th June 1863.

The Pedro children were pupils at Avoca Lead School in 1865 enrolled as Mary Ann Passow, Eliza Passow and George Passow.

When Mary Ann married Johannes Rohde in Avoca Lead in 1871 it was in the home of her step-father August Passow. Over the years Bridget and August grew apart. Bridget had settled in her home in Lower Homebush and supported herself travelling about the area as midwife and housekeeper. When her daughter Mary Ann died in 1881 no doubt 'Gran' was the one who stepped in to help the little family up on Vales Reef. And when Johannes took Tilly to Germany in 1893 Bridget wrote of washing and mending for the boys, and of them coming down for lunch on Sundays. She spoke of her vegetable garden, Polly her milking cow and the geese she bred. Also the fence around her cottage that the boys finished for her. August was about- he was fined 5/- in Avoca Court for an unregistered dog in 1883, and in the 1890's and after his horse died he would leave Homebush early in the morning and walk to Clunes to visit daughter Louisa, arriving at nightfall. He died at Avoca aged 73 in 1906.

Bridget Passow, Gran Posso to family and townfolk alike, spent her last years in Nazareth House, Ballarat where she died aged 85 in 1919. She is buried in Nazareth House section (R.C.) of Ballarat New Cemetery.



Front - Gran Posso's cottage

Back - Homebush Lower State School

BRIDGET PARTBERRY (GRAN POSSO)



Gran Posso

THIRD SCHEDULE

DEATHS IN THE DISTRICT OF



Remains of the Vales Reef miner's cottage

THIRD SCHEDULE

DEATHS IN THE DISTRICT OF

At 17 years of age Bridget Partberry... 1850. Shipping records... Patrick and Mary were... Bishops. The three children from... Sydney and George born... John Posso who was born... He was 35 years old in... doctor, a miner and was... Vonnish. They had one... The Posso children were... Posso and George Posso... When Mary Ann married... father August Posso. G... home in Lower Hornsby... homestead. When her da... in to help the little family up... Bridget wrote of waiting and... Sunday she spoke of her vegetable... fence around her cottage that the boys liked. The boy August was about 10 years old in 1850. Court for an unregistered dog in 1883 and a week after his death he would have... Homestead early in the morning and walk to church to visit daughter Emma, arriving at 10 o'clock. He died at Vales Reef 73 in 1908. Bridget Posso, Gran Posso, family and Vonnish mine spent her last years in Naremburn House. Her husband who she died aged 82 in 1919. She is buried in Naremburn House section (B.C.) of Belmont New Cemetery.

SCHEDULE B:

DEATHS in the District of *Carra* in the

of Victoria.

Registered by

*William Goodwin*

SCHEDULE B:

DESCRIPTION		Sex and Age	Cause of Death, or Direction of Inquiries, or Medical Attendance by whom certified, and in what hospital or Dispensary	Name and Residence of Father if known, with Rank or Profession	Signature, Description, and Residence of Informant	In Register of Deaths, and where Registered	IF BIRTH REGISTERED		When Born, and how long in the Australian Colonies, including visits	When and where buried, Under name of whom certified	Name and Address of Minister of the Gospel at time of burial	When and where buried, and in what cemetery
Name and Residence, Rank or Profession	Name and Address of Informant						When and where born	When and where buried				
<i>Female</i>	<i>John Peter</i>	<i>Female</i> <i>1881</i>	<i>Prostate</i> <i>Two Months</i> <i>St. Mary's</i> <i>Child of Victoria</i> <i>1881</i>	<i>John Peter</i>	<i>John Peter</i> <i>Protestant</i> <i>St. Mary's</i>	<i>John Peter</i> <i>Protestant</i> <i>St. Mary's</i>	<i>1881</i>	<i>1881</i>	<i>1881</i>	<i>St. Mary's</i>	<i>St. Mary's</i>	<i>St. Mary's</i>

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS AN ENTRY IN A REGISTER KEPT IN THIS OFFICE IN THE STATE OF VICTORIA, IN THE DISTRICT OF *Carra*.

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MELBOURNE.

2 September 1986

REGISTRATION OFFICER

*W. Goodwin*

The first born child of Johannes & Mary Ann grew up at Lower Homebush. There was no school there until 1880, so if indeed she went to school before then she would have walked up to Homebush. Their small miners cottage on Vales Reef was home to five surviving children (two died in infancy), and Johannes and Mary Ann. Christina as the eldest would have looked after her younger brothers and sister and probably from an early age was her mother's helper. When her mother died suddenly, at 10 years of age Christina had much more responsibility thrust upon her. Gran lived nearby and following her daughter's death would have stepped in to help the little family on the hill, teaching Christina cooking, cleaning and caring for the young children. This was to be Christina's lot in life.

In 1893 when father Johannes returned to Germany with Tilly, Christina was 21 years old and working at Chesterfields as a housemaid, she was also keeping company with Tom. When Mr Chesterfield was laid off, Christina also lost her job. Times were hard and she worked at Wareek for a few weeks and teamed up with Gran at Mrs Fred Cross's for two weeks. In August she started as cook at the Albion Hotel, High street Maryborough. In letters to Tilly in Germany she tells of the "toffs" staying there and of them "praising up the cooking". Later of her aching legs and working in a kitchen "as hot as a furnace".

Johannes arrived home before Christmas 1893 and Christina was back in Lower Homebush for Christmas with Gran, Johannes and the boys.

On boxing day Johannes, Christina and the boys went to the Maryborough sports.

By May 1894 Christina was at Armstrong's, five miles from Ararat, working as cook for Mr Chateau and Brewery. She tells of the loneliness there and walking to church through the bush. After five months she shifts into Ararat and works for several places there for the next year.

In November 1894 Christina writes of having two holidays since there on one she went to the opening of the "Exhibition" and the next seven miles by wagon to a picnic at Langi Ghiran; they had a grand time.

By July 1896 Christina is closer to home at Percydale, working for Mrs O'Qua's daughters public house, and by 1897 in Carisbrook working for Dr MacKnight. In May of 1899 Johannes in a letter to Germany tells Tilly that Christina was about to be married to a young man living in Ballarat (Frank), when he caught typhoid fever and died. She went up to the funeral and stayed three weeks nursing six brothers and sisters who all had it; they all got well.

When she came home she had fretted so much in fact she was broken hearted. She went to Carisbrook to please some place she had been before for a few weeks as their servant was ill. As it turned out the girl had typhoid and Christina caught it. She died in Maryborough hospital on 15<sup>th</sup> May 1899, aged 28 years, and was buried with her mother in Avoca cemetery.

Life was full of hardship and disappointment for "Tina", her mother died, her sister never returned from Germany, she worked long hours and hard, male friends came and went until Frank and then she lost him too.

Brother George said "Christina died of typhoid fever but she really died of a broken heart!".



## GEORGE PETER ROHDE 1873 - 1967

On the last day of July 1873, Johannes and Mary Ann's first son was born at Vales Reef, midwife Mrs Passow (Grandmother).

George probably began his school life at Homebush, walking there with older sister Christina, and then transferring to Homebush Lower when the first school was established in 1880. He is listed as a former pupil of the new Lower Homebush S.S. 2258 from 1887.

Although much closer, it was still several miles from Vales Reef to the school.

George was only 8 years old when his mother died, and no doubt did his share of caring for his young sister and brothers out of school hours.

He was working from a young age, not far from their cottage on Vales Reef in the direction of Frying Pan Flat. George earned a quid for building a dam.

He was working at the Lower Homebush Claim (North Mine) when Johannes returned to Germany in 1893. George (19) and his two young brothers Hannes (15) and Augie (14), stayed on in their miners cottage for the best part of a year whilst their father was away. A local storekeeper said to them "How are you young Rohde's going up there?, don't go hungry". Bridget Passow, their grandmother lived in the main street of Lower Homebush and in letters to Tilly in Germany told of washing and mending for them and of the boys coming to lunch on Sundays. George worked off his lunch by building the sturdy fence around Gran's home.

George's shift at the North Mine were layed off in August 1893 and George was wood cutting for the station. By September he was back at the North and in October there was a burst in the claim. George had just gone down and was in the first cage up, he lost his billy, crib and coat, and men were up to their waists in sand and water.



They had a horse Kate and she had a foal which they described as "the best in the district". Johannes arrived back from Germany, the boys met him at the station in the horse and dray.

George was awaiting the arrival of his father and the pipe he was bringing for him, but Johannes brought him something of his own that George wore with pride for the rest his life. George in a letter to Tilly "I am some Toff now with the chain and ring on, there is always someone admiring them". About this time George developed another interest. Christina wrote she saw Hannas and Augie at church, but George was too busy chasing after Mag Kofoed to go to church. Work at the North Mine was unreliable, and in between he worked with his father and brother on their claim. Life was not all work and he went to the Lower Homebush picnic at Easter 1894, and in April 1894 was at the banquet for the Manager of the North Mine which was closing. In June there was a fancy football match and procession in Avoca followed by a concert.

With the mine closed, and no water to wash the dirt on their own claim George travelled for the next four to five years working, moving on returning to lower Homebush occasionally. He went to Archerton (near Benalla) and in 1895 went to Tasmania with his pal W. Nicholson and others, However it could not have been too successful as when they were returning and camped along the road in Victoria, George was most unpopular when he lost their last sovereign and walked back miles looking for it.

In 1898 George was at Rutherglen and next to Carisbrook.

George married Henrietta Nicholls, daughter of the lower Homebush publican John and Augusta Susan Nicholls in 1899, they honeymooned in Ballarat.

They had a home in lower Homebush But with George working in Carisbrook they decided to shift.

George wrote "We have had enough of living apart, we don't like to leave our home but it is no use waiting for these mines to start, if things look up we can always come back. We will be next door to Sarah and Jacko down there".

(Sarah - Hetty's sister and Jack Kerr.)

George later worked at Bet Bet near Dunolly and Hetty lived back in their home before settling at Middle Bridge (now Betley).

Avoca Rate Books 1900 - George Rohde Miner Lower Homebush  
Value £7 Rates 7/-

Three children were born to George and Henrietta while they lived in the Dunolly area:-  
Augusta Matilda, John Nicholls and Henrietta.

George was a miner at Burnt Creek. The Burnt Creek No 1 and Burnt Creek No 2 an extension of 1 and the Consul were large mines operating at this time. Burnt Creek No 2 operated 1886-1913 it was behind Middle Bridge township and was eventually closed by unions. It produced 47,000 oz gold.

George and Hetty had only settled in to a house in Middle Bridge in 1903 when Johannes died. A year later Auguste Grammelstorff, Johannes' sister died in Lubeck and left money to her three nephews and George, Jack and Aug became dairy farmers after buying a property on the Loddon river at Eddington. They called the property "Greenvale". (Now "Glenvale". It is Freemantle's Lucerne Mill) The house George built still stands on the property today. It cost £2.10/- for the chimney to be built and that included the bricks and their cartage from Maryborough.

Apparently the dado boards in the kitchen were put in on an angle and that annoyed George for years.

The house was not completed when fourth child Carl was born in a small rented cottage nearer the bridge in Eddington, 1906.



Gran Nicholls, George & Henrietta Rohde



Back - Jack, George, Gus

Front - Etty, Carl, Laurie

ext

The brotherly partnership was dissolved when Virginia's light was in a...  
 Jack went back to Western Hill, trying there was...  
 in 1909 there was a...  
 The...  
 in 1909 there was a...  
 The...  
 in 1909 there was a...  
 The...



back - George, Jack, Ben, Carl, Louis  
 from - George, Peter, Ed, Bertha, Gus

The brothers dairying partnership was dissolved when Augie left and went in to Maryborough and Jack went back to Western Aust., saying there was not enough in the farm for all of them.

In 1909 there was a huge flood on the Loddon river and many head of cattle were lost. .

Two more sons were born George and Laurie. George sold up at Eddington in 1910 and lived in Maryborough and speculated in land for twelve months. In 1911 George bought land in the mallee and he (and family followed later) left to clear the land and become a wheat farmer.

George's interest in the Mallee may well have been stimulated by the fact that Alfred Kenyon born in Homebush in 1867 and Engineer of Agriculture in 1906 was instrumental in opening up the interior of the Mallee.

In 1910 Alfred Kenyon became Engineer in Charge, North-West Mallee, of the State Rivers and Water Supply Commission and Supervised the opening of several millions of acres of Mallee to farming.

George and Henrietta were at Myall near Sea Lake and later Pier Millan past Sea Lake and Nandaly. As pioneers, the land had to be cleared with the aid of horses and limited machinery before crops could be grown, After floods at Eddington they faced the opposite , droughts year after year, six in a row at one stage and they shared the hardships and disappointments common to the pioneers of this country.

Their last two children were born in the Mallee, Ronald and Bertha, making a total of eight children. George and Henrietta farmed in the Mallee for over thirty years both wheat and sheep apparently doing well with the latter.

In 1943 son Laurie and his wife Bonnie bought a vineyard at Nyah West to produce dried fruit and George and Henrietta sold up in the Mallee and went to. George was now seventy but worked with Laurie planting, pruning, harvesting and drying the grapes for many years.

George and Henrietta decided to retire and were building a home in Nyah West township when Henrietta died in 1950 aged 72 years.

George continued to live with Laurie and Bon and in later years spent time with his daughters Bertha in Nyah West, Etty in Sea Lake and Gus in Ouyen. It was in Ouyen in 1967 that George took ill and died aged 93 years. George and Henrietta are buried in Nyah West cemetery.



back - George, Jack, Ron, Carl, Laurie

front - George Peter, Etty, Bertha, Gus

George Peter lived to a great age considering he was a miner in his younger days. He said the wet mining around Homebush was not as hard on the lungs as dry mining, still he had the habit of walking outside in the morning and taking deep breaths for several minutes.

George never returned to mining after the dairy farm, he probably considered himself lucky to have survived it. He could have lost his life as a twenty year old in the burst at the North Mine. His brother in law, Henrietta's brother Harry died in a mining accident in 1900 and George and brother Aug were coffin bearers at their cousins funeral in Clunes when Bertram Callaby was killed in the Berry United Mine, Ullina 1909. Another cousin Ben Passow survived the accident. (Bertie had always stayed at Vales Reef with the boys when on holidays as a lad). George still liked to return to Lower Homebush, fossick about and pick up a piece of quartz ever alert for the glint of gold, it appeared once caught gold fever never, completely disappeared.

George saw the arrival of the railway to Avoca, the motor car replace the horse and buggy, tractors replace horses on the land. He saw the arrival of wireless, movies and television. Once asked how he enjoyed a certain film he replied, "I think they are all wonderful".

Those of us who can remember George Peter will see a 'grandfatherly' moustached man, hat on at a cocky angle, a pipe or cigar in hand proudly wearing his gold chain on his waistcoat.



George & Henrietta with son Ron

George and Henrietta's children:-

	born	
August Matilda	1900	Dunolly
John Nicholls	1902	"
Henrietta	1905	"
Carl	1906	Eddington
George	1908	"
Laurie	1910	"
Ronald	1913	Sea Lake
Bertha Irene	1916	"

BIRTHS in the District of AVOCA

in the Colony

Registered by W GOODSHAW

CHILD	Parents	Informant	Witnesses	Registrar
When and where born.	Name and whether present or not. FATHER MOTHER	Signature, Description, and Residence of Informant.	in Accordance with Notes by whom certified. And Signatures of Witnesses or other Witnesses.	When registered and where. Signatures of Deputy Registrar.
Thirtieth April 1873	Johnnes March 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca
George	Johnnes March 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca
Peter	Thirtieth June 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca
later next Avoca	Johnnes March 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca

SCHEDULE A.

BIRTHS in the District of AVOCA

SCHEDULE A.

Registered by W GOODSHAW

CHILD	Parents	Informant	Witnesses	Registrar
When and Where Born.	Name and whether Present or not. FATHER MOTHER	Signature, Description, and Residence of Informant.	in Accordance with Notes by whom Certified. And in Names of Witnesses or other Witnesses.	When Registered and Where. Signatures of Deputy Registrar.
31 August 1879	Johnnes March 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca
George	Johnnes March 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca
Peter	Thirtieth June 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca
later next Avoca	Johnnes March 1871 at Avoca	Johnnes	1 (in my)	Thirtieth April 1873 at Avoca

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## NICHOLLS FAMILY

Henrietta's father John Nicholls was born at Bishops Stortford England, he was the son of William Nicholls ( a plumber) and Sarah Nicholls ( also her former name.)

I.G.I records the following :-

Nicholls	M. Sarah	Town	Christenings	
	F. William	Bishops Stortford	Martha Ann	1st April 1825
			William	11th Feb 1827
			John	11th Mar 1832
			Henry	26th April 1834
			Charles	19th Jun 1836

It is believed two brothers came to Australia during the gold rush. Although gold was the magnet that drew John to the colonies, over the years he decided there was a better living in the hotel trade quenching the thirst of the miners. He was a Publican at Bung Bong in 1872 when he married Augusta Susan Walsh of Warrenmang. John had the "Plough Inn" on the Maryborough Road until he took over "The Vale" in October 1876.

The Vale, formerly Knotts' "Diggers Arms", was a mile from Avoca on the Moonambel road. By 1878 John and Augusta and four children were living at Lower Homebush at their Homebush Hotel. Deputations to the Education Dept in 1878 requesting the establishment of a school at Lower Homebush have John Nicholls signature amongst the committee members.

His sporting interest was greyhounds and he was treasurer of the Homebush & Avoca Coursing Club in 1882 when he raced a greyhound called 'Black Agnes'. He may well have been the Mr Nicholls whose brown horse 'Stumpy' won at Redbank races back in 1873. J Nicholls name appears as a shareholder with 200 shares in Bung Bong Quartz Mining Co. NL in 1884.

Lower Homebush had four hotels in 1885 including Nicholls.

The following year 1886 John appeared at Maryborough District Insolvency Court with debts of £845.9.11. A grand daughter of John thinks it was the greyhounds that got him in to trouble.

However he was at the hotel the next year, in fact they ran the hotel for over thirty years.

During the thriving. years of Lower Homebush they had more than forty boarders at the hotel.

John and Gus had ten children, the boys known as the 'seven devils of Homebush.'

John died at Homebush Lower in 1906 and is buried in Avoca cemetery.



downs with the 'London' in the Royal Dracery Hotel. Sarah Nicholls & Jack Kay

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Henrietta's mother, August Susan was born 1853 in O'Leary's cottage off A'Beckett Street, Melbourne and was reg. No 86, Augusta Susan Pugh.

Father Charles Edward Pugh, 30 years of age and mother Eliza Dinighan 18 years married in Collingwood 1849.

Augusta must have had an interesting life in her early years travelling with her father's circus. Alice Augusta Nicholls remembers the Chinese dolls, souvenirs of their travels at their St Arnaud hotel.

When Augusta Susan married John Nicholls in 1872 her father's name stated as Charles Edward Walsh (his stage name) and mother as Elizabeth Ann Blythe.

Elizabeth Ann was a Publican at Warrenmang and had married William Storier Patterson when Charles was thought dead.

Augusta worked alongside husband John at the Plough Inn, the Vale and finally settling in their Homebush hotel. They had a large family of ten children who attended the Lower Homebush S.S as did the Rohde children.

The sons were all miners, and one son Harry was killed in a mining accident in 1900. They lost another son Edward when he died of diphtheria in 1903 aged 12 years. Augusta (Gus) died at Footscray in 1946 aged 93 years, having survived husband John by forty years.

She is buried in Avoca with John and sons Harry and Edward.

Nicholls children :	Born
William Storier	1873
Sarah Elizabeth	1874
Charles Edward	1876
Harry	1878
Henrietta	1879
John	1881
Walter	1883
Augustus Walsh	1885
Elsie Martha	1887
Edward Edgar	1892



Gus Nicholls, Hetty & Sarah



Nicholls Brothers

### Henrietta's Grandparents.

On daughter Augusta Susans birth certificate of 1853 Charles Edward Pugh states his birthplace as Hampstead, Middlesex. (England) Exh.

On certificate of 1906 Henrietta ( Nicholls) states her mother's name as Augusta Susan Walsh Pugh Charles 'Walsh' (his theatrical name) was an entertainer and his association with hotels probably came from the fact that theatres were often part of the hotel or in a building attached to the hotel in the early days of the colony. He came from the Theatre Royal, Melbourne when he appeared at the new Victoria Theatre, Ballarat when Lola Montez had top billing opening night February 16th 1856.

He travelled the goldfields and was at Redbank in 1861 when the following report appeared in the Ararat Advertiser.

*Theatrical amusements we have here to an unusual extent. At the Victoria, one of the most efficient companies that ever garced a provincial stage is at present nightly appearing before us. The Flowers of The Forest was the principal piece played to a crowded house on Friday, and on Saturday the Octoroon was performed. With such a cast as Madame Durat, Miss Glyndon, Mrs. Harry Jackson, and Mr. Harry himself, Messrs. Leroy and Addams, together with versatile Charley Walsh and a host of others, your readers may fancy that no ordinary class is presented to our playgoers.*

George Peter Rohde spoke of a man about to board ship in London for Australia when he saw a rat leaving the ship and would not travel on it, the old story being - when rats left the ship, that boat was doomed.

Charles Walsh was probably that man. It is also interesting to note that George Coppin, the driving force behind Australian theatre, had signed up G.V. Brooke (considered one of England's foremost actors) for another Australian season. Brooke went down with the 'London' in the Bay of Biscay 1866.



Sarah Nicholls & Jack Kerr

Eliza Dinighan of Cork, Ireland was 18 years old according to husband Charles Edward Pugh when registering the birth of his daughter Augusta Susan in 1853.

Later Eliza and Charles had a son Edward.

On the occasion of her marriage in 1872 Augusta Susan gives her mother's former name as Elizabeth Ann Blythe occupation publican, address Warrenmang.

Father deceased 1867.

So between 1853 and 1872 Eliza Dinighan became Elizabeth Ann Blyth.

With Charles Walsh Pugh thought dead, Elizabeth Ann married William Storer Patterson.

They had two children.

Isabella Margaret and John William.

They lived in St Arnaud, neither married and they are buried with parents in St Arnaud's cemetery.

Presb. Sec. 7 Grave 34.

Eliza's son Edward lived in St Arnaud and married Catherine Harrison. They lost a son aged 11 years in 1899

Charles Butler Walsh who was buried in St Arnaud Presb. Sec 7 G 39. The

father's name given as Edward Pattison Walsh. Edward and Catherine Walsh had nine children, Arthur Ernest Walsh, M.B.E. born in St Arnaud 1890 and dying there in 1979 after a lifetime of dedicated service to the community was one of them.

Maryborough Hospital Records have these two entries :Walsh Eliza Date Admitted 27.1 .1862, Age 27, 14 yrs in colony, Married, R.C, Gone to Melb Hospital, Native of Tasmania.

Pattison Elizabeth D.A 24.10.1872, 37, 27 yrs IC, Married, R.C, Warrenmang, Port Embark. Cork, Ship Elgin.

The death certificate of Elizabeth Ann Patterson in 1914 mentions Blythe again, born Bantry, Cork Ireland, spent 2 yrs in South Australia and 67 years in Victoria.

The barque Elgin arrived in Adelaide 1849 with 221 female orphans.



GG/Mother Gus Nicholls, Son William, Granddaughter & GG/Daughter

WRITTEN BY ALICE AUGUSTA NICHOLLS  
(GREAT GRAND DAUGHTER OF CHARLES BUTLER WALSH IN THE YEAR 1978)

Charles Butler Walsh was born in Scotland and married in Ireland. Then he and his wife went back to Scotland.

Charles Walsh's father was a wealthy man, and besides Charles Walsh there was his brother and sister, a Doctor and a Singer. Charles owned a Theatrical Company and decided to come out to Australia.

Augusta Walsh was born on the site of The Victorian Market. After that they decided to go to St. Arnaud, and it is thought that it took them three (3) months to get there. They had three (3) drays and horses, with camping gear, flour and sugar etc. They camped in Maryborough where the old Mc Ivor Hotel stood which I think is now where Woolworths stands at the present time.

It was written up in the old Maryborough paper some years ago that after going to St Arnaud, they had a son called Edward Walsh. After building a home in St. Arnaud he still travelled the world with his theatrical company, and my grandmother was trained to walk the tight rope, which she did until she was 15 years old. Apparently she was very good. She usually travelled with her father but was sent home after having a fall in China. Her leg was hurt. Following that, on one of his trips her father's ship was sunk and all was presumed drowned, but my Great Grandfather was saved and received large compensation for losses. He did not return to Australia for seven (7) years, and in that time his wife had married again.

Edward, his son received a letter from him after Charles Walsh returned to Australia. He also went to see my Grandmother Augusta Walsh, who had married John Nicholls and was then living at the Homebush hotel, Avoca (both of them). Edward Walsh, my great uncle, and Grandma Nicholls (Walsh) told him not to contact their mother as she had remarried - so the mother never knew. She died at 93 years of age. She had two children to the man she married (his name was Patterson). They died, a few years ago in St Arnaud. Then my Great Grandfather also married again and had children. Two of them became doctors. He bought hotels in Melbourne, the last one was the old "White Hart Grand Hotel" in Spring Street, (now known as the Hotel Windsor.)

He became an early Lord Mayor of Melbourne and Walsh Street in South Yarra was named after him. His eldest son from St Arnaud (my Great Uncle Ted) used to come down to Melbourne to see his father and stay with my Grandmother, and Great uncle had two lots of half brothers and sisters. There were concert singers amongst them also. Arthur Walsh, my dad's cousin kept in touch with the Pattersons in St Arnaud, but the family down here in Melbourne was not known of to any of us young ones. It was dad's cousin 'Ida' (she is the only one left) who told me that their father,

Edward Walsh told them just before he died. I think our Great Grandfather probably would have been held up for bigamy. That was the skeleton in the cupboard.  
I believe there is a Dr Walsh now practising in South Yarra, and he is a connection of ours.

## THE NICHOLLS FAMILY TREE

### GREAT GRANDPARENTS

Charles Butler Walsh (Born in Scotland)

Isabella Walsh  
(born in Armaugh, Ireland )

### FAMILY

Augusta Susan Walsh.  
John Nicholls of (Bishop Stortford - a village outside  
Hertfordshire, England)

Married at Warrenmang (I always thought it Buninyong near Avoca)

Colony of Victoria, Australia on the 9th day of June, 1872.

### CHILDREN

7 sons and 3 daughters.

#### Sons

Bill, Harry, Charles, Walter, Jack, Gus and Edward

#### Daughters

Sarah married Jack Kerr  
Ettie married to George Rohde  
Elsie married to Ted Barry

(Nearly all had large families but for  
Elsie and Ted Barry).

Charles Edward was my father.

Mary Elizabeth Horan was my mother, born near Ballarat. My  
father was born at the Avoca Hotel which my Grandfather  
owned in Avoca, Victoria. Their family consisted of 11  
children -

Alice Augusta Nicholls  
Elsie Ellen Nicholls.  
Edward Edgar Nicholls  
Edna May Nicholls  
Charles John Nicholls  
Twins - Thelma Nicholls & Myrtle Nicholls  
Florrie Nicholls  
Jean Nicholls  
Ellie Nicholls (died at 3 weeks old)  
June Nicholls (Sister Clotilde)

Alice married Sydney Forte from Mount Lonach.

They were married in Northcote, Victoria.

They had one child by the name of Irene Mary who married John Michael Castles at Kew (Holy Trinity). They had two daughters - Glenda and Denise (who was killed on the road at the age of .12 years). Glenda the eldest of the two married Gordon Geoffrey Lawrence (Kenloch, Olinda).

DECENDANTS :

Of the Charles Nicholls family all are still alive but for three (3).

Denise (my granddaughter )

My brother Edward's daughter

My sister Elsie's son.

SCHEDULE 6.

1853

BIRTHS in the District of Melbourne

Registered by

No.	Place and when Born.	Name, and whether present or not.	Sex.	PARENTS.			Signature, Description, and Residence of Informant.	When Registered and where.	Signature of Deputy Registrar.	Name, if added after Registration of Birth.	Witnesses.
				FATHER.	MOTHER.	INFORMANTS.					
				(1) Name and Residence of Father or (Indication of his Father and of his Place.	(2) Name and where Born and in what Year and on what day.	(3) Name and Address of the Mother, her Age and on what day.					
86	Succatully Street Melbourne	Augusta Susan	Girl	Charles Edward Pugh Gentleman 30 Kamphelm Melbourne	1849 Collingwood	Eliza Pugh Spinster, Gingham 18 City Park Melbourne.	Charles Edward Pugh Father of a Bachelor Street Melbourne	28th August 1853 Melbourne	W. A. Munnell Deputy Registrar		

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I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF AN ENTRY IN A REGISTER KEPT  
 IN THE STATE OF VICTORIA, IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA  
 REGISTRY OF BIRTHS DEATHS AND MARRIAGES.  
 MELBOURNE. 12 December 1986

*W. A. Munnell*  
 for REGISTRAR.

THIRD SCHEDULE.

THS in the District of HOME BUSH LOWER in the State

of Victoria,

THIRD SCHEDULE.

Registered by C H SQUIRES

1 Name and Surname, Rank, or Condition	(2) Age	(3) In Case of Death, the Duration of last Illness, or Length, Validity, Medical Opinions, or other Circumstances, if any, which may be set on record.	(4) Status and Surnames of Father and Mother (Maiden Name, if known, with Rank or Profession)	
			Father	Mother
John Hicks	70 years	9 years	William Hicks	Anna Hicks
John Hicks	70 years	9 years	William Hicks	Anna Hicks

SCHEDULE D.

Marriages solemnized in the District of Home Bush Lower, in the Colony of Victoria.

(7) Signature, Description, and Rank of Celebrant	(8) Signature of Registrar, in Cases Registered	(9) When and where solemnized by or before Registrar, when certified	(10) Name and Rank of Minister, or Name of Vicar, when certified	(11) When Banns, and how long in the Vicarage, or where, and at what time, when certified	(12) When Banns, and how long in the Vicarage, or where, and at what time, when certified	(13) Name, in order of Birth, when certified
James Hicks	James Hicks	21 April 1916	James Hicks	Home Bush Lower	Home Bush Lower	James Hicks

SCHEDULE D.

in the Colony of Victoria.

1 Name and Surname of the Parties	(2) Condition of the Parties		(3) Birthplace	
	Age	Rank	Father	Mother
John Hicks	70 years	9 years	William Hicks	Anna Hicks

Date of Publication	Age	Banns		Name of Minister	Where Banns were published	Name of Minister	Where Banns were published
		First	Second				
21 April 1916	70	James Hicks	James Hicks	James Hicks	Home Bush Lower	James Hicks	Home Bush Lower

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IN THE STATE OF VICTORIA, IN THE COLONY OF VICTORIA

Signature of Minister, Registrar, or other Officer: James Hicks

Signature of Minister, Registrar, or other Officer: James Hicks



## MARY MATILDA.1875 - 1918

Johannes and Mary Ann's third surviving child was Mary Matilda (Tilly) born May 20th 1875 at Vales Reef, Lower Homebush. Tilly attended the earliest school and each extension through to the permanent Lower Homebush school opened in 1887, still standing today.

When only six years old Tilly's mother died, father Johannes and the five small children continued to live in their little cottage on Vales Reef.

As the years went by Johannes believed the goldfields was no place for a young lady and he planned and saved to return to Germany with Tilly hoping she would settle there with his eldest sister Auguste.

Communication between Auguste and Tilly continued for almost two years. In one letter dated December 1891 Auguste wrote :

"Surely it will not be easy for you to acquire the habits of a new home, but by degrees, and when we both do our best it certainly will succeed. Till the point of time settled for your coming, you may sufficiently have reflected on the change that the parting with your kind father, your dear brothers and your home will bring you.

As a compensation for this parting I shall be a second mother to you my beloved niece and I shall do all that is in my power to compensate you for what you have lost. It will be very agreeable to me to live with such a dear young girl."

About February 1893 Johannes and Tilly sailed for Europe.

Tilly was 17 years-old when she left her only sister, her three brothers, her gran and (step) grandfather, her school friends and little dog Toby to sail to the other side of the world.

Auguste Grammelstorff was a widow and childless and she welcomed her brother and niece to her home at 109 Koenigstr, Lubeck.

After about three months in Germany, Johannes sailed back to Australia Tilly deciding to stay on for two years.

What an adjustment for Tilly, a language to learn, new customs and culture to understand and accept. Tilly's two years turned into a lifetime when in 1896 Tilly married Carl Marie Rohde, Tanner of Hundestrasse 64 Lubeck. Carl born 18th March 1850 was the son of Georg Christopher Heinrich Rohde and Louise Sophie Charlotte (nee Koch). George Christopher and Peter Hinrich were cousins.

Carl was a Tanner as was his father, Carl produced the soft leather for gloves etc.

Carl and Tilly made their home at the tannery address 64 Hundestrausse, Lubeck. Carl also had 96 Hundestrasse for extra space to dry the skins. Just around the corner is the school, children Marcus and Berthold later attended.



Back - Johannes, Carl, Mary Ann

Front - Carl, Tilly with Berthold

Tilly Rohde



Carl Rohde



Carl's father - George Christoph Heinrich

Aunt Auguste's gift to Tilly on the occasion of her marriage to Carl was a suite of furniture. Tilly's grand daughter, Cristel, proudly uses this furniture today; amongst it is a beautiful writing desk.

Carl and Tilly's children:-

	born
Mary-Anne Luise	1898
*George Johannes Carl	1899
Marcus Wilhelm Theod	1901
Carla Mathilde	1905
Berthold Johannes Carl	1909

\*died in infancy

Carl and Tilly shifted to their home in Weiter, Lohberg. Son Berthold owns this home today.



Carl & Tilly with Mary Ann & Marcus



Holidays at Gromitz



Back - Carl, Mary Ann, Tilly  
 Front - Berthold, Marcus, Carla



Back - Johannes(Jack), Carl, Mary Ann  
 Front - Carla, Tilly with Berthold, Marcus. 1911

In 1911 Tilly was visited by younger brother Johannes Henry (Hannas). What a joyous occasion that must have been for Tilly after 18 years in Germany. Jack ( as he was then called) stayed with Carl and Tilly for about six months before returning to Australia. Tilly died in 1918 aged 43 years. She is buried in Lubeck with husband Carl who lived on until 1937 and was 87 years of age.

An old address book at Hamburg Genealogical Society's library printed in 1927 has the following entry:-

ROHDE Carl Maria, Leder, Haute, Felle Weiter Lohberg No 4 Lubeck

ROHDE Marcus, Companion in Messrs. Karl Maria Rohde, Gerberei (tannery) Haute (skins), Leder (leather), Felle (fur), Wolle (wool). Weiter Lohberg 4, Lubeck.



Carl and Tilly's daughter Mary Ann did clerical work but after her mother's death kept house for her father, brothers and sister.

Marcus, contrary to the old address book was never a tanner, he was of light build and not strong enough to lift the heavy skins and he also had a clerical occupation. During the War he was in the Army, missing for many years, the Red Cross finally traced him; he had died in a Russian Prisoner of War camp.

Carla Mathilde became a teacher, and taught at a school at Elmshorn for some forty years before retiring to Hamburg and later to Lubeck.

Berthold Johannes had a Naval Career and as such he lived in Hamburg. During the War he was on submarines. Wife Dora Liese with young children spent six years at a farm at Hemdingen when they had to leave Hamburg. In later years Berthold was a guide around Hamburg harbour, and today lives within a short walk of his beloved Hamburg harbour on the Elbe. They travel regularly to Lubeck.

Berthold and Dora-Liese were located in 1988, Berthold said his sisters had tried to contact Australian relatives on several occasions, but without success.

In 1991 Berthold, Dora-Liese and daughter Cristel visited Australia.

Berthold saw the remains of the Miners cottage on Vales Reef where his mother was born and the Lower Homebush school she attended. He met lots of 'Aussie' Rohde's .

Later he travelled to England and met cousins Joy Lomas and Ken Rohde.

(children of Johannes Henry.)



back - Marcus, Berthhold, Carla  
front - Mary Ann, Carl

Lübeck, am Zafutan (10.)Turi \_\_\_\_\_ tausend acht hundert neunzig und sechs.

Vor dem unterzeichneten Standesbeamten erschienen heute, zum Zweck der Eheschließung:

1) der Lofgarbar Carl Marie Rohde,

der Persönlichkeit nach Lurj worgalaytan Gabint.

jsain \_\_\_\_\_ unkennt,

Lutherscher Religion, geboren den usfzafutan

(18.) starr \_\_\_\_\_ des Jahres tausend acht hundert

und fünfzig (1850) \_\_\_\_\_ zu Lübeck,

\_\_\_\_\_ , wohnhaft zu Lübeck,

Gründstraße 64,

Sohn der verstorbenen Galanta des Rofflöffers

Georg Christopher Heinrich Rohde und Louise

Sophie Charlotte gaboranasä Koch,

\_\_\_\_\_ zuletzt wohnhaft zu Lübeck,

2) Mary Matilda Rohde,

der Persönlichkeit nach Lurj worgalaytan Gabint.

jsain \_\_\_\_\_ unkennt,

Lutherscher Religion, geboren den zwanzigsten

(20.) stari \_\_\_\_\_ des Jahres tausend acht hundert

fünf und siebenzig (1875) \_\_\_\_\_ zu Vale's Reef in

Australien \_\_\_\_\_ , wohnhaft zu Lübeck,

Königsstraße 109,

Tochter des zu Vale's Reef wohnhaften Hinnelapiger

Johannes Rohde und der verstorbenen Ja-

frain Mary Ann gaboranasä Pedro,

\_\_\_\_\_ zuletzt wohnhaft zu Vale's Reef.

Als Zeugen waren zugezogen und erschienen:

3) der Kaufmann Eduard Johann  
Daniel Rohde,

der Persönlichkeit nach Prinz v. Sargolayter Kunal.  
Prinzessin verheiratet,  
zwei und fünfzig Jahre alt, wohnhaft zu Lübeck,  
Gründelstraße 64,

4) der Offizier Wilhelm Lorenz Friedrich  
Schmidt,

der Persönlichkeit nach Prinz v. Sargolayter Galarts.  
Prinzessin verheiratet,  
sechs und vierzig Jahre alt, wohnhaft zu Lübeck,  
Hauptstraße 2.

In Gegenwart der Zeugen richtete der Standesbeamte an  
die Verlobten einzeln und nach einander die Frage:

ob sie erklären, daß sie die Ehe mit einander eingehen wollen.

Die Verlobten beantworteten diese Frage bejahend und erfolgte  
hierauf der Ausspruch des Standesbeamten, daß er sie nunmehr  
kraft des Gesetzes für rechtmäßig verbundene Eheleute erkläre.

Vorgelesen, genehmigt und unterschrieben

Carl Rohde

Matilda Rohde geborne Rohde

Eduard Rohde

Wilhelm Schmidt

Der Standesbeamte.

P. Witzel



Dieser Bildabzug - 2 Blätter - gilt als beglaubigte Abschrift.  
Die Übereinstimmung mit dem Eintrag im Personenstandsbuch des  
Standesamts I, jetzt Lübeck, wird beglaubigt.  
Die Abschrift enthält --/keinen Randvermerk(-e).

Lübeck, den 24. FEBRUAR 1987 Der Standesbeamte?

Johannes, the second son of Johannes and Mary Ann Rohde was born at Vales Reef, Lower Homebush like his brothers and sisters.

Only 3 years old when his mother died, young Hannas had to grow up quickly as there was a brother even younger than himself. His schooling was at the early Lower Homebush school and then at nine years of age would have been a first day pupil at the brand new Homebush Lower school No 2258 when it opened its doors in 1887 and probably in the photo taken on tree planting day.

When father Johannes left with Tilly for Germany in 1893, Hannas was working in Frying Pan Flat (below Vales Reef) sinking a shaft with younger brother Augie and neighbour Mr Garner, he was 14 years old. Writing to Tilly in Germany, Hannas said "They were tired of batching and wish she was back again to cook", but hastened to add, "We can cook fine and don't burn anything now like we used to."

Even so he told of breaking both the butter basins by warming the butter at the fire and melting two holes in the lead teapot.

About this time Hannas lost the joint of his finger and had to go to Maryborough twice a week to have it dressed. While in the town he would call on sister Christina working at the Albion Hotel there.

Growing up, Hannas was a typical boy picking blackberries, shooting pigeons, and setting possum traps. In early 1894 Christina tells of Hannas being ill for three weeks.

Hannas and Augie were sent to look for the horse but they got playing cricket. It was a hot day and Hannas drank water and laid down under a tree and went to sleep; as a result he caught a chill.

Winter of 1896, Hannas was playing football with the local team, travelling to Lamplough one weekend and in summer it was cricket, playing at Ampitheatre one Saturday.

In 1898 Hannas left Homebush to work in Rutherglen. There had been little work around Homebush with the mines closed and so Hannas joined brother George at Rutherglen and younger brother Augie also joined them later.

In 1900 Hannas or Jack as he was then called became very ill with pneumonia and father Johannes and brother George left Carisbrook at 5 am travelling. all day not knowing if they would be in time. On reaching Rutherglen they then had to travel another eight miles over the Murray River to Corowa. Jack's pneumonia had settled on both lungs he was delirious and very low. Of course we know he did survive this brush with death, and go on to live a full life for almost another sixty years.

After recuperating, Jack returned to Homebush and by 1901 was working at Burnt Creek near Dunolly with his father and brothers.

They earned good money on the Burnt Creek mines and Jack paid £27 for a bicycle about this time. Next Jack decided to go to Western Australia as many of the local men did, in fact his uncle George Passow went to Kalgooli years before when the rush to the West occurred. Jack found the warmer climate better for him health wise also.

Jack returned to Victoria in 1904, but after some months was off back to the West.

The three brothers then bought the dairy farm at Eddington working together again for some time.



Johannes with brother August

Jack decided there was not enough for all of them in the dairy farm. Old brother George was married with five children by this time. Jack decided to return to the West.

Writing to Tilly in Germany from Sandstone W.A. in 1910 Jack says "I was thinking of a trip over to have a look at you some day, but I will not promise."

Then in March 1911 Jack, staying at Thomas's Hotel 5 Liverpool Street, Kings Cross, London advises Tilly, "you will be a bit surprised to hear that I am in London but I thought I would come and have a look at you."

Jack stayed with Tilly and Carl for almost six months before sailing on RMS Otway via Port Said and Colombo to Freemantle, Western Australia.

Jack married Elizabeth Gertrude Rowland in Western Australia and he continued mining for some years.

Their first three children were born:-

Kenneth John (Ken)	1915
Marjorie Amelia (Bidly)	1918
Ronald Marcus (Ron)	1921



**Harz Mts, Germany**

**left - a friend W Fricker, Carl, Jack**



**Darley Dale, Derbyshire**

In 1923 Jack sailed to England to take up a position as Underground Manager, Millclose Mines Ltd at Darley Dale, Derbyshire. Twelve months later wife Elizabeth and the three children followed, arriving on November 24<sup>th</sup> 1924. The shipping fares being £102. A fourth child, Joyce Norma (Joy) was born in 1925 in England. Millclose Mine was a lead and zinc mine and Jack was there until 1940.



**Manager's residence Darley Dale**

During the war Jack worked in the underground shelter at Longbridge, Birmingham (Morris Works) 1940 - 1941, and from 1941 - 1947 was underground manager at Greenside Lead Mine at Glenridding, Cumberland.

On retirement Jack and Elizabeth returned to Derbyshire and lived at Stanton Lees. Johannes Henry died there in 1958 and was buried in Derby. Elizabeth died in 1960.



**Retirement home - Stanton Lees**



**Ron, Joy, Bidy, Ken**  
**Children of Jack and Elizabeth**



**Johannes Henry (Jack) Rohde**

## AUGUST ASHLEN 1879-1955.

The last surviving child of Johannes and Mary Ann Rohde was born at Vales Reef in 1879. August was barely two years old when his mother died. Grandmother, Bridget Passow was the one who stepped in to mother the young family.

Starting school at the early Homebush Lower school August had his brothers and sisters already attending and would have joined them for their long walk along the dusty track daily. No doubt they detoured to the main street, where Gran lived, on their way home for a cool drink and probably a biscuit fresh from the oven.

Augie was 13 when father Johannes went back to Germany with sister Tilly. With eldest sister Tina away working and Gran often away as housekeeper/midwife, the three boys were left on their own. Augie left school shortly after and was working in Frying Pan Flat sinking a shaft with brother Hannas. Apparently brother George offered the two young ones 5/- if they bottomed a shaft in a fortnight, and they were down thirty feet with almost the fortnight to go. He enjoyed hunting with their dogs and shooting. He liked sport and played football and cricket.

In 1898 he joined his brothers who were working in Rutherglen and by 1901 he was closer to home working at Burnt Creek mine near Dunolly. Older brother Hannas had been to Western Australia mining and Augie joined him there for some time.

Next, with money left to them by their Aunt Auguste in Germany, the three brothers bought the dairy farm at Eddington on the Loddon River.

Mining behind him, August became a dairy farmer for several years.

August as a 28 year old farmer from Eddington married Jane Gouge 22 years of age from Avoca in 1907 at Maryborough Church of England.

Jane a domestic was working and residing in Maryborough at the time of her marriage. She was the daughter of John and Elizabeth Gouge.

Shortly after August sold his share of the dairy farm to go wood contracting at Avoca, August and Jane returned to settle in Avoca.

August continued with his sporting activity back in Avoca, playing football and being Captain of Avoca team. He enjoyed cycling having paid £14 for his first bicycle years before. He won the Chain wheel bike race at Maryborough sports and was nicknamed "Joe Diggs" for his prowess on the bicycle. (Joe being a champion City rider.)



Avoca Football Team - Aug back row, right of centre with cap

Manager's residence Darley Dale

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During the 1st World War Aug worked as a postman at Northcote Post Office. Returning servicemen got their old jobs back after the war and so Aug and Jane and family moved to Kallista in the Dandenongs where they had a Berry farm.

Because of son Carl's health they had to leave Kallista and so about 1926 Aug returned to Wood contracting in Avoca. Daughter Till stayed behind as she was doing her teacher training.

In 1935 Aug managed a mine at Nowhere Creek, Glenpatrick. ( Near Avoca ) In the 1940's August and Jane shifted to Bendigo where Aug worked at a mine for a while before starting a woodyard with son Carl.

August died in 1955, aged 76 years, he is buried in Bendigo Cemetery.

Jane lived to 83 years of age, dying in 1968.

August and Jane's children :-

	born
Matilda Elizabeth (Till)	1909
Carl August	1910
Iles Bertrol Robert ( Bob)	1919
John Alfred George	1924
* one child stillborn	



Jane Gouge

Gouge Family

Jane's father - John Hector Gouge  
 Jane's mother - Elizabeth Golder

Elizabeth was a pioneer resident of Avoca, having arrived at 9 years of age with her parents Mr & Mrs Alfred Golder from Oxford, England. Mr Golder conducted a wheelwright business in Avoca for many years.

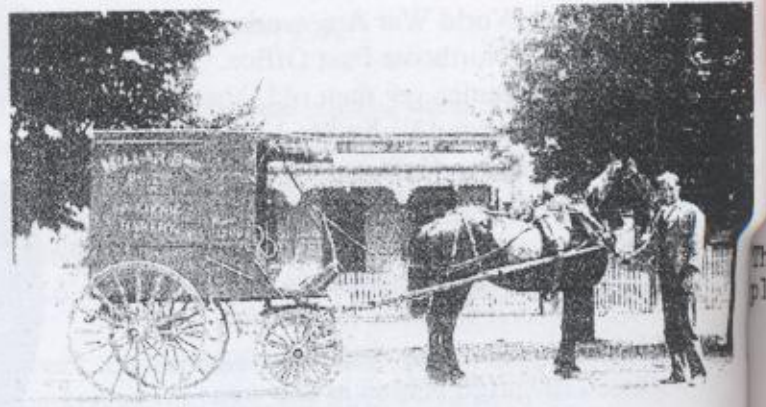


Augie, Jane with Tilly & Carl





**Bob, August, Carl**



**Carl**



**Carl**

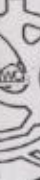


**Tilly with Carl**

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